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## PREMIER NIGHTS AS GLENN AND TIFFANY ARE BACK IN TOWN



Homecoming gig – Glenn Hughes

Rock legend Glenn Hughes will be returning to Cannock where he was born and bred for an intimate gig this summer, the Express & Star can reveal.

The homecoming event in July will be held at the town's Premier Suite lounge where he has never performed before.

Bosses have also confirmed that American singer Tiffany, who delivered an impromptu warm-up gig at sister business Bar Sport last June, will be returning in May for a 'proper show'.

Former Deep Purple star Hughes is a major coup for the Premier Suite having only been inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame last year. He did a show at Bilston's Robin 2 in January.

Scott Murray, who runs Bar Sport and Premier Suite on High Green, said: "I am a family friend of Glenn Hughes and have stayed with him at his home in LA. I have known him for years.

"My dad has always been friends with him. We have been talking about a show for a few years.

"He hasn't performed here for ages – he would not usually do a small place like Cannock so this is really big for us.

"He has never performed for us, although he has eaten here whenever he has come back."

As well as enjoying a show from the man himself VIP packages will also be available which will include a photograph with the

rocker, who was also bassist with Black Sabbath.

Meanwhile Mr Murray was equally excited to confirm 1980s star Tiffany, famous for the hit I Think We're Alone Now, will be doing two concerts on May 26 and 27. The Californian-born songstress – full name Tiffany Darwish – lived in New Penkridge Road, Cannock, for a time after marrying local businessman Ben George in 2004.

Mr Murray added: "Tiffany is a pop legend. She turned up last year so I said come back and do a proper show."

Tickets to see Tiffany will cost £20 while Glenn Hughes will be priced at £35 with more expensive VIP packages to be confirmed.

### POLITICS

## Election hope for bomb hero Paul

LONDON bombings 'reluctant hero' Paul Dudge hopes to be the Labour candidate for Cannock Chase in the General Election.

The 40-year-old – who hit the headlines when he was pictured with his arms around 'the woman in the mask' after the 7/7 terror attacks – has put his name forward to party chiefs.

He grew up in Norton Canes and still runs his IT business in the village.

The constituency is currently held by Conservative Amanda Milling.

Mr Dudge, who lives in Hixon, said he was impressed with Labour through his work with the press regulation group Hacked Off. The party is expected to select its candidate over the weekend.

### TRAINS

## Two-week closure of rail line planned

THE Chase Line will be closed for more than two weeks this summer causing a fortnight of frustration for commuters.

Network Rail has stated it will require 'full possession' of the line between Rugeley and Walsall between August 13 and 28. This will be preceded by further disruption when work is carried out on numerous weekends during June and July.

It is to allow the latest works for the £100m electrification. London Midland will run replacement bus services.

### CRIME

## Arrest made over fires on common

A BURNTWOOD man has been arrested after a spate of fires on Gentleshaw Common.

The 51-year-old was arrested on suspicion of arson and driving while disqualified. He has since been released pending further investigation. Despite the arrest, the force is still appealing for witnesses to a suspicious white van in the area.

Pc Adam Shaw said: "We are currently investigating the fires on Gentleshaw Common, but need your help. If you see anything suspicious or have any information that could help with our investigation please call us on 101 no matter how small."

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# Drivers make thousands of compensation claims £350k IN POTHOLE DAMAGE PAYOUTS

COMPENSATION payments of almost £350,000 have been paid out because of damage caused by potholes in the last four years – with one driver receiving more than £4,600, new figures have revealed.

The pothole-ridden roads around junction 11 of the M6 at Laney Green alone have seen payouts totalling over £3,360, figures revealed in a Freedom of Information request show. Staffordshire County Council shelled out a total of £347,389.60 between 2012 and 2016 to drivers.

The figures also pinpoint the problem roads around the county, including Enville Common Road in South Staffordshire, Keepers Lane in Codsall and Burnhill Green Road near Pattingham.

The single highest payout for a driver came in 2014 when one motorist received £4,621.65 after an accident involving a pothole at the junction of Somerset Road and Kent Road in Stafford. Another large payout came in 2015 when one driver received £3,574.98 in compensation after their car was badly damaged on Langley Road on the outskirts of Wolverhampton.

In Cannock, motorists were paid £3,367.20 in compensation because of potholes on the roundabout for junction 11. Cannock Chase councillor Gordon Alcott said: "If you come from the direction of Cannock, there are two islands.

"The one before, for the toll road, has got a series of craters. Then the island for junction 11 itself has potholes all the way around it. Motorists are having to try and weave their way around them."

In total, 3,985 successful and unsuccessful compensation claims due to potholes were submitted to Staffordshire County Council between 2012 and 2016. The Freedom of Information request was made by reader Richard Ralphs. He said: "In a

By Jack Averty

four-year period between 2012 and 2016 the council spent over £347,000 in paying compensation to motorists as a result of pothole damage. Had the council maintained the roads in the first place then this figure would have been significantly lower."

Mr Ralphs said his vehicle had been damaged by a pothole and he had been unsuccessful in a compensation claim, although the pothole was repaired within days.

James Bailey, head of highways at the council, said: "We know that potholes are a concern to people and our highways crews make every effort to fix them as soon as possible. This is starting to be helped again now as we move out of the wetter winter months and into the main road repairing season.

"Every pothole is programmed for repair in accordance with the level of risk it presents to road users, with busier roads and the most severe potholes given priority. Our crews fix around 20,000 potholes every year.

"Our insurers and legal team are committed to ensuring that claimants only receive insurance payouts when appropriate."

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## Samuel back in swim after accident



Samuel Asbury learns to scuba dive with his father Carl Asbury

A KEEN sportsman from Norton Canes who was left paralysed after breaking his spine in a cycling accident is taking up a new challenge – learning to scuba dive.

Samuel Asbury hopes to fulfil his ambition of scuba diving with his dad thanks to Burntwood Sub-Aqua Club. The 22-year-old was devastated after he failed to make the grade for the GB Paralympic swimming

squad but says learning to scuba dive is giving him his confidence back.

His ambition is to qualify as a BSAC Ocean Diver so he can dive among shipwrecks with his father Carl Asbury, who is a member of Burntwood Sub-Aqua Club.

Samuel, a computer science student at the University of Derby, broke his spine in an accident on holiday in France in 2009.



Samuel



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# Volunteers wanted to help at Ironman



Helen Riley - 'rewarding'

VOLUNTEERS are being sought to help out at Staffordshire's biggest triathlon. Ironman 70.3 Staffordshire is looking for volunteers and volunteer groups to help out at athlete registration, marshalling the course, assisting in transition and handing out medals and T-shirts at the finish line.

Groups of volunteers are also needed to help out at feed stations, transition, athlete bag drop-off and collection, and along the cycle and run course.

The event takes place on June 18, with the Ironkids competition taking place on June 17. The Ironman triathlon

consists of a 1.2-mile swim in Chasewater, a 56-mile bike course through Lichfield, Burton-Upon-Trent and Cannock Chase, and will conclude with a 13.1-mile run finishing at the Shugborough Estate.

**Rewarding**

Last year, the competition raised over £500,000 for charity.

Helen Riley, deputy chief executive at Staffordshire County Council, said: "Volunteers really are part of the fabric of Ironman."

"The event simply couldn't run with-

out the hundreds of people giving up their time freely to help out, whether it's handing out water to athletes, helping them out over the finish line, or making sure the race goes smoothly.

"Our Staffordshire volunteers continually say what a rewarding experience it is to help out at such a large event, so I'd encourage anyone who wants to get involved but doesn't want to race, to volunteer and be part of something great," she added.

For more information, and to sign up to be a volunteer, visit [www.ironman.com/ukvolunteers](http://www.ironman.com/ukvolunteers)

# 'Very lucky escape' for caravan fire couple

A COUPLE had a lucky escape when flames swept through their caravan.

The teenagers were woken by the blaze and fled before the caravan, which was not fitted with a smoke detector, was engulfed by flames and destroyed.

Fire crews arrived at Woodlands caravan site in Lime Lane, Pelsall, at 4.30am on Tuesday.

Bloxwich Crew Commander Matthew Sullivan said: "The caravan was well alight when we arrived, and the flames were threatening two brick-built laundrette buildings on either side."

"The fire was already melting the fascia and was threatening the roof but we managed to stop it spreading."

"The two people who were sleeping in the caravan had a very lucky escape. One needed treatment at the scene for the effects of smoke inhalation but did not need to go to hospital." Crews were at the scene for 90 minutes.

West Midlands Fire Service said the blaze is being treated as accidental, although the precise cause has still to be established.

A statement on its website reads: "You can buy detectors and alarms which measure the carbon monoxide at home and warn you if it's too high."

"You can also get portable, battery-powered ones to use if you go camping, caravanning and travelling. Always buy from a reputable store, or your energy provider. The detector should be marked EN50291 and have the British Standards Kitemark or another European approval organisation's mark."

# Town pays tribute to its mining heritage

HUNDREDS of people paid tribute to the proud mining history of Cannock Chase in a special dedication service.

It celebrated the laying of more than 4,000 bricks over the past 10 years at a mining memorial in Hednesford town centre following the fourth and final phase of its construction.

The monument recalls a bygone era when thousands of men toiled for long days in the pits.

Now, with the latest batch of 500 inscribed bricks laid in place - bringing the total to 4,034 - the Hednesford Mining Memorial has been declared complete.

The project was launched in 2004 as a lasting tribute to an industry that defined the area and the men that worked in it.

At one time, there were 48 collieries across the Cannock Chase area, and the memorial covers all of them.



Dignitaries and members of the public gather for the dedication service at the fourth phase of brick-laying at the memorial

**Names**

The first phase of bricks was installed in 2006 with stages two and three following in 2012 and 2014.

At that point, the names of more than 3,600 people were featured.

But requests still came in from people who had not known about the monument and wanted the names of family members added.

Now Chase Arts For Public Spaces (CHAPS), which was behind the scheme, says it is confident that everyone interested in being a part of the memorial is named on it.

CHAPS president Mike Mellow said: "It was extremely important to recognise all of the people that worked in the Cannock Chase coal-mining area. We are satisfied we have got all of the names of the people on there who wanted one."

Saturday's dedication service, which featured Cannock Chase Orpheus Choir, was led by Rev Nigel McCulluch, former Bishop of Manchester, who has a long connection with the mining industry, and was Bishop for Mining Communities.



Youngsters read the names on the bricks



The mining memorial



Cannock Chase Orpheus Choir

# PCC puts blame on inconsistency

STAFFORDSHIRE'S Police and Crime Commissioner again blamed force failings on a lack of 'consistency' from inspectors, ahead of a progress update.

Staffordshire Police was rated as 'requires improvement' in the core area of 'effectiveness' following the latest report by the HM Inspectorate of Constabulary.

Within the category, 11 'Areas for Improvement' were identified. PCC Matthew Ellis has moved to address the problem areas, including changing the role of the chief financial officer to the director of finance and performance.

A report prepared for yesterday's Police and Crime Panel meeting said: "The PCC places value on the work of HMIC but consistency of approach from one force to another is important, as is the consistency of inspection methods."

# Police appeal after driver pesters girl

POLICE are appealing for information after a teenage girl was asked to get into a man's car in Chads Moor.

The incident near the Seabright chip shop on Monday afternoon involved a man, driving a small to medium sized black vehicle with tinted windows.

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## Your chance to have say on number plates move

WEST Midlands Police are urging people to have their say on the use of vehicle number plate recognition (ANPR) devices.

The survey is seeking people's views on the technology that enables officers to track and trace a vehicle using its number plate.

The ANPR Public Engagement Survey is now available online.

A statement on the survey reads: "West Midlands Police are working to engage with members of the public around the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR)."

"Your views and experiences are vital to the production of a meaningful strategy for the force."

"We recognise that a partnership approach will be the only way to deliver lasting solutions. Therefore consultation is key."

Following the questions, participants are then told why ANPR is used and how.

The survey states: "Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) technology is used within West Midlands Police to help detect, deter and disrupt criminality at a local, force, regional and national level, including tackling travelling criminals, Organised Crime Groups and terrorists."

"ANPR provides lines of enquiry and evidence in the investigation of crime and is used by forces throughout England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland."

To access the survey and to take part, visit [wh.snapsurveys.com/s.asp?k=149190625419](http://wh.snapsurveys.com/s.asp?k=149190625419)

## Going foot to foot to show they care

TWO football teams will go 'foot to foot' for charity next month.

Paycare, 'back of shirt' sponsor for Wolverhampton Wanderers FC, has launched the Paycare Unity Cup, which will see Black Country Fusion FC take on Wolves Pride FC in a match at Molineux on May 14.

It is in aid of The Haven, a charity supporting vulnerable women and children affected by domestic abuse and homelessness.

Wolves Pride FC plays in the Wolverhampton & District Sunday League. Black Country Fusion FC, set up last year by transgender female Skye Stewart, plays in the Sunday Beacon League. The match will kick off at 5pm, with tickets, £5 for adults and £2 for under 16s.

## Royal Engineers set to hold monthly meeting

THE Cannock branch of the Royal Engineers Association hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday at 8pm.

The venue is the Drill Hall, in Wallall Road, Bridgtown. For further information call 01543 423319.

# Hell of a dream comes true for Robert



Robert Emery – 'massive production'

AS a small boy playing his piano along to Top of the Pops at his Pelsall home, Robert Emery dreamed of hitting the big time.

Now a professional conductor and pianist, he has landed a role working on the Bat Out Of Hell musical – one of the UK's biggest new stage shows.

He was chosen by Grammy Award-winning record producer Jim Steinman who was behind Meat Loaf's Bat Out Of Hell album back in 1977 – one of the best-selling records of all time.

Forty years after its release is has

been converted into a stage show with 34-year-old Mr Emery conducting the music.

Mr Emery, who has worked on musical projects across the world including working alongside Russell Watson, has been conducting the show at the Opera House in Manchester since January before it heads to London Coliseum for 56 nights from June 5.

The former St Michael's Primary School and Blue Coat Church of England secondary school pupil said: "It's been a dream of Jim Steinman's to

put Bat Out of Hell on stage for years.

"He managed to make it happen and we've been holding a preview period in Manchester before it transfers to London."

"I was chosen by Jim to conduct the music each night and it's been a real privilege and honour. The show is phenomenal."

"The reviews that we've had and the crowds have been crazy," Mr Emery added.

"The set is the largest I've seen and the production is massive. I think the budget is about £17 million."

# More hospital parking is finally approved

**PLANS to create more parking for Cannock Hospital patients have finally been given the green light.**

Cannock Chase Council's Civic Centre car park, next to the hospital, will be expanded and two bungalows on the site demolished under the £450,000 plans.

The car park will boast 132 public spaces and 144 spaces for council staff. Currently there are 200 combined spaces at the car park.

The plans have been approved by planning bosses at the council despite being thrown out last year over concerns money for the expansion could be better used elsewhere. It became the subject of a bitter political row with the ruling Labour group accusing the Conservatives of rejecting the plans for 'political reasons'.

The plans were provisionally approved earlier this year but got the final green light last week when the council changed the number of proposed spaces from 277 to 276.

Councillor George Adamson, leader of the council, said: "I am pleased the plans have been approved and the car park will be a great asset for patients and the hospital."

### Waste

"Very little has changed in the plans between this year and last year. They were only thrown out last year for political reasons."

"The Conservatives think we should use Beecroft Road but we think people should park as close to the hospital as possible, as Royal Wolverhampton Trust, which runs the hospital, move more services over."

However, Councillor Paul Snape, the Conservative leader on Cannock Chase Council, maintains that the Labour-backed scheme is still a 'waste of money'. He said: "My views are still the same, it is a waste of council money that they do not have. There is no guarantee that people would even use it."

"If the hospital want to use it as their overflow car park, then they should put the money in, not the council."

"We have an under-used multi-story car park that could be redeveloped and it is only a short distance from the hospital."

"There is no difference between the application last year we rejected and the one approved this year, maybe one extra line drawn on the map. The difference is, Labour have switched two of their members around as last time some of them could not vote which is why the proposal was defeated."



Nursery children join Danielle Goffe-Wood of Cameron Homes, left, and the nursery's deputy manager Nicky Warren

## Nursery keen to build on learning

CHILDREN from a nursery school have been getting some early experience in the world of work.

The three and four-year-olds from Little People Nursery in Burntwood are taking part in a project about 'the jobs people do'.

Deputy manager Nicky Warren said one industry they looked at was building. "We have set up a construction site in the nursery to make the role play area as realistic as possible for the children, to increase their learning," she said.

"Local building firm Cameron Homes was then contacted for some information and we were delighted that they agreed to donate some hi-viz jackets and hard hats."

"Immediately all the children wanted to play in the construction area."

Chasetown-based Cameron Homes, which is developing properties in Burntwood and Chasetown, were happy to help.

"We are always looking to nurture young talent and encourage people into the construction sector so it's great to see little ones showing such interest," the firm's Danielle Goffe-Wood said.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Chugger issues are taken to Commons

THE controversial issue of chuggers – the name given to paid street fundraisers – is to be raised in the Commons by a Stafford MP.

Complaints about the practice were made at the inaugural meeting of the Friends of Stafford group.

The meeting heard that elderly people felt particularly intimidated and Stafford MP Jeremy Lefroy was asked about the possibility of a ban. He said: "I have queried it before. It is fine on national days like Poppy Days but not all the time." He said he would be raising the subject in the Commons.

### Area in top 10pc for food hygiene

CANNOCK Chase has been ranked in the top 30 local authorities in the country for food hygiene.

A report by consumer firm Which? ranked the district 30 out of 386 across the whole country, as well as rating it as the best in Staffordshire and the West Midlands. The district has 826 food premises, of which 639 have the highest hygiene rating of five.

David Frosser-Davies, food, safety and licensing manager at Cannock Chase Council, said: "We are delighted to be amongst the best performing local authorities in the UK."

### Warning on bogus charity collectors

BOGUS charity collectors posing to be deaf and mute have been reported doing the rounds in Lichfield.

Staffordshire Police have moved to remind people to be vigilant and check the ID of doorstep callers.

PCSO Elaine Ford said: "Please could I make residents aware of two females that have been collecting for charity in the Lichfield area recently."

"It is alleged that these ladies are claiming to be deaf and mute when in fact they are neither."

### Village show picks creatures as theme

ONE of the longest-running village shows in Staffordshire has announced its theme for this summer's event – All Creatures Great and Small.

The Kings Bromley Show, which takes place on July 22, includes professional ring entertainments, horse events, a companion dog show, side-shows, trade and crafts stands, field exhibits and competitive classes.

A procession of vintage cars will parade in the showground. For details, visit [www.kingsbromleyshow.co.uk](http://www.kingsbromleyshow.co.uk)

### Brass band appeal

A BRASS band is appealing for new members to join its ranks. Wolverhampton Brass Band rehearses at Kings CofE School in Regis Road, Tettenhall, with rehearsals taking place every Thursday from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Anyone requiring further details can call 01902 752091.

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# COUNTY NEWS

## 45pc increase in temp vacancies

DEMAND for temporary professionals in the West Midlands has risen by 45 per cent in the year to March, according to the Association of Professional Staffing Companies.

The data, provided by recruitment software company, Innovantage, revealed that in addition to a rise in temporary roles, permanent vacancies also experienced an increase, rising 18 per cent for the year.

Demand for professionals rose notably across sectors including IT and media, which recorded uplifts of 38 per cent and 14 per cent respectively.

## Charity steps up in bowel cancer fight

A POLL commissioned by Bowel Cancer UK's Step up for 30 fundraising challenge has revealed 64 per cent of adults living in the Midlands were not aware a lack of regular physical activity increased the risk of bowel cancer.

Research shows regularly taking part in 150 minutes of moderate aerobic activity, such as cycling or fast walking every week, can decrease your risk by as much as 12 per cent.

A recent survey revealed more than 20 million people in the UK did not reach or exceed the minimum target. For more information, log on at [www.bowelcanceruk.org.uk/stepupfor30/](http://www.bowelcanceruk.org.uk/stepupfor30/)

## Jump for joy with inflatable course

THE world's longest, continuous inflatable obstacle course will visit Wolverhampton later this year. The course, which is more than 1,000 feet long, is on a UK tour will be at Wolverhampton Racecourse on June 30 to July 2.

They will host events where teams of five will compete against each other in a timed competition. Trophies will be awarded for the fastest three teams each week. Full details at [thelabyrinthchallenge.com](http://thelabyrinthchallenge.com)

## House woes having an impact on health

MORE than one in four adults in the West Midlands suffer mental health issues due to housing problems.

The report from Shelter and ComRes shows 28 per cent have experienced problems including long-term stress, anxiety and depression due to a housing problem.

Anyone struggling with bad housing and homelessness in the West Midlands can contact Shelter Birmingham on 0344 5151800 or go to the website, [www.england.shelter.org.uk](http://www.england.shelter.org.uk)

## German market dates

DETAILS for the ever-popular German market in Birmingham, the biggest of its kind outside Germany and Austria, have been announced. This year's market, known as the Frankfurt Christmas Market, will start on November 16 and finishes earlier than last year, on Christmas Eve.

# CCG taken out of special measures

WALSALL Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has been taken out of special measures, NHS bosses say.

NHS England has taken the CCG out of special measures following improvement in its financial performance and governance.

In the CCGs' Annual Assessment for 2015-16, published last July, Walsall CCG was rated 'adequate'. Serious concerns were raised over the

group's finances as it battled to find savings of more than £20 million in just one year.

Since then, NHS England has been working closely with Walsall CCG to help manage its financial recovery and strengthen its governance.

Alison Tonge, director of commissioning operations for NHS England in the West Midlands, said: "It is essential that the people of Walsall have

confidence that the CCG is able to commission safe, sustainable health services now and in the future.

"The announcement means we recognise all the work and progress that the CCG has made so far on governance and financial management in particular.

"We will continue to work with Walsall CCG over the coming months to ensure that all remaining actions

are completed." The CCG hailed the news as 'excellent' and thanked staff.

Dr Anand Rischie, the chair of the CCG, said: "This is excellent news and it should give patients, the public and our partners reassurance that we are continually improving local health services. Thank you to the governing body, our staff, our partners and to NHS England for their continued support and guidance."

# Potholes: Motorists are paying the price



**MOTORISTS are paying the price of the crumbling roads across the region our potholes campaign has uncovered with drivers contacting us to reveal damage being caused to their cars.**

We have received a number of images of damaged tyres and alloys caused by vehicles hitting potholes as readers highlight some of the worst roads in Staffordshire and the Black Country.

And a Freedom of Information act request has shown how much is being paid out in compensation by Staffordshire County Council because of our pothole-ridden roads.

Councillor George Adamson, who represents the Hednesford and Rawsley areas which have been highlighted as a concern by readers, has welcomed the Chronicles' campaign.

He said: "I welcome the Chronicles' Top of the Pots campaign. It highlights one of the major concerns of local people. Staffordshire has become the pothole capital of England.

### Invest

"We need to invest in improving our roads and do it urgently. Staffordshire residents deserve nothing less. The pothole plague has to be dealt with, and sooner rather than later."

This week reader Sue Gulley has told us of damage caused to the wheel and tyre of her car after hitting a pothole in South Staffordshire.

She said: "The hole was full of water so we never saw it. The road is very bad, Hilton Lane.

"We were on our way to attend my Dad's 80th Birthday meal with family at Coven and due to the incident we had to cancel.

"My husband was filthy having to change the tyre at the side of the road and by time we had done this was not worth us going, an event which meant a lot to all of us and was ruined due the council not dealing with issues that have already been reported to them, the road is a disgrace.

"I pay my road tax, why should I then pay for a repair that was caused due to no fault of my own. I shall fight for my money back."

Russell Withey suffered damage to his wheel when he hit a pothole near Gentleshaw Common in Staffordshire, as drivers turn off Chorley Road into Com-



Raymond Drury is complaining about potholes in Romsley Road, Stourbridge



Russell Withey suffered damage to his wheel from a pothole near Gentleshaw Common



Sue Gulley measures the depth of the pothole which caused damage to the wheel and tyre of her car



Simon Hall of Great Wyrley sent in pictures of the terrible condition of the roads nearby

monsie Road. He is still waiting to hear if he will be compensated for the damage.

Simon Hall of Anson Road in Great Wyrley also sent in pictures of the terrible condition of the roads near his home.

Raymond Drury emailed us pictures of potholes in Romsley Road, Stourbridge. He said: "What is interesting is that the council have been repeatedly repairing holes here for over 20 years as there is some form of water leak underneath.

"A clue for the council 'cure the water leak first'."

Reader P Garrett flagged up problems on the A4601 in Cannock at the island which meets the A5 and added: "Both carriageways are covered in

about 10 potholes and there's nowhere to drive around, you just have to let the car take a battering."

The Chronicle has been inundated with reports of huge potholes and badly damaged roads since launching our campaign a month ago. We want to identify the top 10 pothole blackspots in the region to flag up to our councils.

If you know of any pothole-ridden routes or deep holes email details, preferably with a picture, your name and any comments you would like to make to [Sue.Attwater@expressandstar.co.uk](mailto:Sue.Attwater@expressandstar.co.uk) or drop us a line at Editorial, The Chronicles, 51-53 Queen Street, Wolverhampton, WV1 1ES.

# More than 200 people charged over stab attacks

MORE than 200 people in the West Midlands have been charged with stabbing offences in the last three years, according to a police report.

The report, released by West Midlands Police, revealed that a total of 227 across the region were charged with stabbing offences since 2014 - 76 of these were from Wolverhampton.

In Sandwell, 64 people have been charged, with Dudley having 45 offenders and Walsall 42.

In 2014, Wolverhampton saw 22 people charged for stabbing offences, rising to 29 in 2015.

Last year, the number of people charged fell to 25.

According to the figures, a total of 11 people in Wolverhampton last year were charged with using a kitchen knife in stabbing offences, whilst two used a lock knife and 12 used what has been deemed 'knife unknown'.

A total of 35 kitchen knives were used in offences from 2014 to 2016.

Kitchen knives were the most used weapon used in the recorded offences. In Sandwell, there were 20 instances where kitchen knives were used where offenders were later charged.

In Walsall, 13 knives were used from 2014 to 2016 in offences where individuals were later charged and 13 were also used in Dudley in this period.

Walsall has also seen an increase in the number of people charged with stabbing offences - from just 10 in 2014 to 17 in 2015.

However, there was a slight decrease in 2016 to 15 people charged.

## Garden sheds are target for thieves

GARDEN sheds have been targeted in a Staffordshire village by thieves, police have warned.

Last week, there was a spate of break-ins and attempted break-ins in Highfields Park in Cheslyn Hay, as well as the cul-de-sacs that lead off the residential street.

Now, crime prevention leaflets have been handed out by local PCSOs who have also been on hand to offer advice to residents.

Villagers have been urged to secure their outbuildings, including garages, as best they can and, if possible, remove any valuable items.

Anyone with any information on the recent incidents should pass the details on to Staffordshire Police by calling 101.

## Motorists caught on phone and speeding

DRIVERS speeding and using their mobile phones have been reported for further action following action carried out in Staffordshire villages.

Officers targeted Armitage and Kings Bromley, and 'a number of vehicles were reported'.

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# Hate crime in region at lowest level for 2 years

HATE crime in the West Midlands has fallen to one of its lowest levels for two years, new figures show.

There were around 250 incidents recorded in the region in January – the third lowest monthly total since the start of 2015.

It follows a sharp spike in reported hate offences immediately after the EU referendum last year.

Hate crime is any incident in which the victim's race, religion, sexual orientation or disability is thought to be the perpetrator's motivation for committing the offence.

West Midlands Police recorded just shy of 500 hate offences in July last year – the highest ever – in the aftermath of the historic vote to leave the European Union.

But it dropped sharply to under 350 incidents in August and went down a further 100 offences by January this year meaning it was at a level lower than throughout most of 2014.

In the days after the EU referendum, Chief Constable Dave Thompson said: "We did not see a significant rise in hate crime in the days immediately following the referendum result. I need to be clear we will absolutely not tolerate crimes of hate."

Nationally there was a 58 per cent increase in reporting after the referendum which prompted senior officials to request weekly figures.

However, the numbers recorded soon dipped back to normal levels, police bosses said.

Forces normally see a spike in reported hate offences in July.

# Asda alters plans for petrol station

PLANS for a petrol station on one of Cannock's busiest roads have been altered and resubmitted.

Asda has reapplied to Cannock Chase Council for a four-pump filling station at its supermarket in Avon Road.

The authority had approved a scheme last year following little opposition to the plans with the exception of a few neighbours who had expressed concerns about even more traffic along the already heavily used route.

But earlier this month the supermarket giant entered a new application.

A spokeswoman for the council confirmed the location of the petrol station had 'moved slightly'.

# Support group to tackle back pain

THOSE who suffer with back pain are being urged to join a support group.

The National Back Pain Charity meets on the first Wednesday of the month at the Newman Centre in Wolverhampton. Call 01902 783537.

# Couple say 'I do' again after 60 years



Brian and Margaret Thomas

A COUPLE renewed their wedding vows 60 years on – at the same church on exactly the same day, even to the hour, as the original service.

Rev Alexandrina Mann waited for the bells of St Luke's in Cannock to strike 11am on Saturday before she began a service celebrating the diamond wedding of Brian and Margaret Thomas.

The pair renewed their vows in front of almost 40 family and friends before a buffet at

Great Wyrley Hall. With them were their two bridesmaids, Brian's sister Jacqueline Westwood, now 73, and Margaret's sister Beryl Clarke, 75.

The sun shone as it did on April 22, 1957 when the newlyweds emerged from the church for photographs before moving on to the reception, a sit-down meal for 70 guests at the former Mid-Cannock Social Club, and a honeymoon in Bournemouth.

The couple began courting

after meeting at St John's Church youth club in Heath Hayes. At the time Brian was an electrician for the Coal Board and went on to work for Tube Investments in Birmingham and at Aldridge Airport, winding up his career at British Steel.

Margaret, 80, worked at a tobacconist and sweet shop in Hedgesford and became a postwoman. They had three children – Bridget, now 59, Ian, 56, and Jeremy, 53.



On their wedding day

# Campaigners protest at rail freight hub bid

MORE than 200 people packed into a village hall to show their support for a campaign against a major rail freight interchange set to be built on 600 acres of green belt land in South Staffordshire.

The huge rail terminal would be built between junction 12 of the M6 and the A449 Stafford Road at Gailey but has sparked massive concerns about traffic and the impact on the environment.

MP Gavin Williamson pledged to do everything he could to fight the development.

Thousands of letters were stuffed into envelopes by campaigners at Coven Memorial Hall to be sent out to households in villages such as Coven, Brewood and Calf Heath while Mr Williamson delivered a passionate speech about why he thought the interchange would be wrong for the area. The Conservative MP for South Staffordshire, who is also Government Chief Whip, said the development would 'decimate the countryside'.

Four Ashes Ltd is behind the plans for the hub which would include a rail terminal with 17 warehouses and service buildings of around 800,000 square metres in size.

## Wrong

It will create 8,500 jobs and company bosses say it will boost manufacturing and logistics and reduce the number of HGVs on roads across the West Midlands. But Mr Williamson told the crowd: "In my opinion, this will absolutely decimate the countryside and will increase traffic and increase congestion."

"Jeremy Lefroy (MP for Stafford) and I are massively concerned about what is being proposed. I think it's wrong. I think it's unwanted and that it would destroy and damage the character of the area we live." The plans are set to be lodged with the district council by the summer and will then go out to consultation.

Chloe Burns, aged 27, from Penkridge, is among those leading the campaign. She said: "I recently had a baby and I started to think what it would be like for her growing up."

"It is going to massively decimate 600 acres of green belt and I'm worried about the traffic and diesel fumes."

Mary Parton, aged 75, from Coven, said: "All the traffic that comes up through the A449 is just awful. It is non-stop through the night and this will only make it worse."

## Another step for heritage trail



From left, Zaphne Stretton MBE, chair of Cannock Chase Council, Eddie Smith, chair of Bridgtown Council, and former employees Zita Smith, 83, and John Harris, 67

THE next step of a trail to preserve the history of a town has been put in place.

Bridgtown Local History Group is working to install plaques at landmark sites that were once the centre of the town's industry but have been converted to houses, shops or other developments.

The latest step of the trail has now been put in place at the former Cornelius Whitehouse and Sons site, which at one point em-

ployed more than 300 people in the town.

Last year bulldozers moved onto the site at Edgemead Trade Centre in Walsall Road, to knock the units to the ground, making way for 40 new homes.

However, the history group are determined to see the iconic site's legacy kept alive and have now put an information board in place.

Group secretary Derrick Middleton said: "We don't have

anything against the new development. However, a lot of the sites that are crucial to our heritage are being replaced now and we want to make sure that their contribution towards making the town what it is today isn't forgotten by the next generation."

Despite the tool manufacturer, with its hedgehog logo, once being a thriving business, the warehouses have been mostly derelict since it closed in 1964.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Cannabis found in raid on home

A 'SIZEABLE amount' of cannabis was seized in a raid on a home in Penkridge.

Officers seized 320 grams of the class B drug along with a quantity of cash after a flat at Abdon Court was searched at 6pm last Wednesday.

A 25-year-old man living at the address was arrested for obsession of controlled drugs with intent to supply.

The raid was part of Staffordshire Police's 50-50 operation.

The campaign is designed to be a major 50-day crackdown on crime across the county.

### Three to face court on Wickes theft

THREE people will appear before magistrates on May 17 in relation to a raid at a Wickes shop.

The three are alleged to have raided the DIY shop, in Hollies Park Road, Cannock, on April 12. Emma Bidmead, aged 33, and Leighton Allen, 40, both of Holden Crescent, Walsall, have been charged with one count of theft from a shop each. Allen is charged with additional driving offences.

Peter Ellis, 34, of Green Rock Lane, Walsall, is charged with theft from a shop and driving offences. They will appear at Cannock Magistrates Court.

### Woman is rescued from burning car

A LORRY driver rescued a woman from a burning car after a crash in a Staffordshire village.

The incident happened just after 8pm on Friday on at the junction of Horsebrook Hall Lane on the A5 Watling Street in Gailey.

A woman in her 30s was pulled from the wreckage by the brave passer-by after her she crashed with another car. She was taken to Queen Elizabeth Hospital with cuts to her face and burns and a fracture to her leg.

### Concert to showcase the music of a legend

THE music of legendary songwriter Billy Joel will be performed in all its glory in Stafford.

The Gatehouse Theatre in Eastgate Street is hosting the acclaimed show, 'The Billy Joel Songbook', led by Elio Pace and his band and featuring hits such as Uptown Girl, Just The Way You Are, and My Life.

Tickets are £23, with a concession price of £21, available from the box office on 01785 619080 or by visiting [www.staffordgatehousetheatre.co.uk](http://www.staffordgatehousetheatre.co.uk)

### Walk from Hoar Cross

CHASE Ramblers' route this Sunday is a nine-mile easy walk from Hoar Cross to Hanbury and Newborough, meeting as usual at Hedgesford railway station car park for a 9am prompt departure. For further details contact Christine on 01283 840523. New walkers are welcome.

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## IN MY VIEW

with Mark Andrews



# Doormat bags are not that charitable

A COLLECTION bag with a big logo for a cancer charity dropped on the doormat a couple of weeks ago. Having long been a sceptic about the organisations which carry out these collections, I put it back on the doorstep straight away. And despite the bag saying it would be collected the following Thursday, you will not be too surprised to find that it is still in my possession.

Anyway, sick of the sight of the thing, I decided to take a closer look. The small print on the back revealed it was not from a charity at all, but a private company which makes donations from its revenue towards the charity featured boldly on the front.

A bit more digging around reveals the same company has twice carried out unlicensed – and therefore illegal – collections in Bolton. It has also been stripped of its licence to operate in Torfaen, Monmouthshire, after donating just £12.50 to charity from a collection worth more than £250. That is a pitiful five per cent.

If I have any used clothes, jewellery or books that I want to give to charity, I think I will be taking them to my local charity shop in future.

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THE marketing team for nasty American lager brand Budweiser has caused a bit of controversy with its latest publicity stunt, which saw staff roll up in a 4x4 and start handing out cans of Bud Light to vagrants in the street.

I guess that's what they call knowing your market.

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MEANWHILE, down in the Big Smoke a somewhat disgruntled electrician returned a burger he bought from McDonalds, claiming somebody had already taken a bite out of it.

The burger chain has investigated closed-circuit television footage, and says it is a mystery how it happened.

But it does remind me of the time that I bought some pork scratching from a rather down-at-heel corner shop in the Black Country, only to find they had already been opened.

Returning, somewhat unhappily to the shop, I explained to the assistant what had happened. Her reply?

"It'll save yo openin' 'em, wo' it!"

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THERE are some rather strange special offers on at the W H Smith branch at Heathrow Airport at the moment. One promotion offers 48 Cadbury's Flakes for £45, there is a similar deal on Kit-Kats, while you can also get 24 Bounties for £22. Doesn't strike me as particularly good value, but you always pay through the nose at airports.

I bet whoever buys them will end up sat next to me.

# Remember warning on the unexpected



Theresa May – will she return with a bigger Conservative majority?



Liz Truss announces 'fast track' system to remove foreign deportation dodgers



President Erdogan – success in referendum in Turkey means he can rule as sultan

# Election: We May all be surprised

WE all know what ought to happen. If you believe the polls and rely on past experience, Theresa May will be returned after the General Election with a bigger Conservative majority. Labour will be stuffed and Jeremy Corbyn will be sacked. But these are not normal times and the old rules may no longer apply. So I would not put a large bet on any of the above predictions coming true. And we could do worse in the coming weeks than remember Harold Macmillan's warning of the unexpected things that can upset every plan: "Events, dear boy, events."

JUSTICE Secretary Liz Truss has announced a new "fast track" system to remove foreign deportation dodgers within 25 days of their claims being rejected. We'll believe that when we see it, thanks.

"HUMANITY is destined for eternity, and death is the means by which we reach that joyful beginning," declared an archbishop on Radio Four's Prayer for the Day. If clerics are to be allowed to broadcast such claims, they should at least be obliged to carry the caveat that professional psychics and mediums are forced to display by law: "For entertainment purposes only."

SOME pundits say President Erdogan's success in the referendum in Turkey will give him enough power to rule as a 21st century sultan. This is bad news for his wife Emine who will, of course, become a sultana. But maybe, as his nation's current leader, this is Erdogan's raisin d'etre. That's enough dried-fruit nonsense.

I WAS walking down a street the other day, clocking the cars on the drives, and realised to my surprise that more than half of them were diesels. So quite how the proposed diesel-scrappage scheme will work is anyone's guess. Figures of up to £2,000 have been ban-

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died about for vehicles more than 10 years old, on condition you buy a cleaner non-diesel car. But who in their right mind would willingly take that sum in exchange for, say, a 2007 Range Rover which still has a book value of £10,000 or more? And can anyone guarantee that this scheme will not be hijacked by Britain's thriving car-crime industry? The theory is that tens of thousands of perfectly sound diesel vehicles will be taken off the road and crushed. But how many will be spirited away in shipping containers, to carry on polluting in some other far smoggier corner of the Third World? Whitehall's bean counters are said to be doing the sums. So, too, I bet are the ungody.

THE world's oldest person, Emma Morana, has died aged 117 in northern Italy. These so-called supercentenarians rarely agree on the reasons for their long lives. One will advocate being teetotal while another will swear by a daily double whisky. One will praise chocolate but another will say it's all due to pickled shark meat or yak yoghurt. Mrs Morana attributed her great age to her family's genes, two raw eggs a day and chucking out her abusive husband in 1938. Take your pick.

THE usual legion of instant experts has been queuing up on social media to assure us that North Korea's missiles which rumbled through Pyongyang last week are not missiles at all but an assortment of plastic and plywood models. See? You can tell by the wonky warheads. One Daily Telegraph reader claims he saw a similar parade in North Korea some years ago and

the "missiles" were actually made of wood. Now, this may be ringing a bell with some older readers. Back in the 1930s, before the Second World War, one of the most popular urban myths concerned a friend of a friend who had been on a cycling holiday in Germany and came across a military exercise. And guess what? The German "tanks" were no such thing. They were just cars covered with hardboard sheets to look like tanks, with drainpipes for guns. It's just Adolf pulling the wool over our eyes, right? A couple of years later, thousands of Adolf's tanks, with real armour and real guns, swept the British Army aside and conquered France in a matter of weeks.

IF you believe it is possible to knock somebody out with a cricket bat for just a few minutes, rather than killing or merely stunning them, and if you also believe that a young, terrified and drunken teenager can be forced to rape an unconscious woman against his will, then you presumably think the finale of Broadchurch (ITV) was brilliant. The rest of us acknowledge that some of the acting was excellent. But the plot? Absolute piffle.

LAST words on our recent trip to Cornwall. However they may be marketed, The Lost Gardens of Heligan are not all that lost. It only took us 20 minutes to find them.

LIKEWISE, the 'Lost Valley' within the Lost Gardens was remarkably easy to locate. You just buy the map at the ticket office and follow it to the place marked 'Lost Valley'. I may be missing something.

OUR changing language. A kerflaver, invented accidentally by a pal at the weekend, is a cross between a kerfuffle and a palaver. It's a bit like a palfluence.

## TALKING POINT



# Long and winding road is part of holiday

TAKE a look at this family enjoying their ideal holiday, free from the strains of everyday life. There's the children, itching to get onto that golden beach, then there's Mom, telling them to not go too far into the sea, and what about Dad? Well, he's quite happy reading his newspaper, thank you very much.

It's a delightful scene, and one which thousands of families will be replicating this summer (all right, Dad will probably be tapping away at his smartphone apps, but you get the picture). And a picture it most definitely is, because this family doesn't exist. They are actually on a poster above the table where I'm enjoying a pint and a bite to eat in a pub during a well-earned week's holiday.

The poster is a reprint of a British Railways advert from many years ago, in the days when travelling by train to your chosen resort was full of sunny promise.

These days, the station being advertised no longer exists, the site now obliterated by a modern housing development. In fact, the line isn't there either, with little evidence of there ever having been a rail service in that part of the world.

Fast forward to the hectic pace of the 21st Century and far from being part of the holiday, the journey to any holiday destination is merely a means to an end, the aim being to get along the motorway and A-roads in the fastest time possible, not forgetting a break at the services, of course.

However, there can be an enforced treat in store when you least expect it. In my particular case, the motorway was closed, in both directions, due to a lorry fire, necessitating a lengthy detour to get round the blockage. There was nothing else for it but to look for a route that ran roughly parallel with the motorway – which was where the overlooked delights of this island we call Great Britain began to reveal themselves.

Yes, it was a long and winding road with countless irritants such as traffic lights, speed limits, and queues to get through bottlenecks, but it soon started to create an idea of what going on holiday by car used to be like. It wouldn't have surprised me to see a friendly bobbie or two waving cheerily to passing motorists.

The scenery was better for a start, and some of the towns and villages looked as if they actually might be a good choice for a holiday themselves. But in the spring sunshine, the overall impression was that this was where the holiday really started, adding as it did to the mounting expectation.

That family in the BR poster would have approved of this leisurely diversion. I just hope Dad could stay calm in the face of cries of "Are we nearly there, yet?" coming from the back seat.

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# Food for thought: Daisy celebrates her 100th

A MUCH loved great-grandmother who was born in Cannock has celebrated her 100th birthday – and revealed her secret to a long and healthy life.

Daisy Birch marked the landmark occasion last Wednesday with more than 80 family and friends at Four Alls pub in Market Drayton.

The centenarian was given gifts and flowers, and daughter-in-law Christina Birch said: "She is often asked what she attributes to her long, active and happy life and will always reply – I eat all the things they say you should not – butter, whole milk and white bread."

Daisy moved to Market Drayton more than 20 years ago, where she is a much loved part of the community and the oldest resident. She still cooks for herself and has minimal outside help.

## Stayed

She was born in Cannock, Staffordshire, in 1917 and was an only child. Her father was a miner and worked as a face worker at Hawkins Colliery, Cannock. She married Jim in 1941 and in 1943, they had a son Mike.

Christina said: "Daisy's husband was a locomotive driver at Littleton Colliery and then went into a haulage business with his neighbour."

"After a few more job moves, he then became the transport manager at Staffordshire Farmers, Cannock, where he stayed for the next 31 years until his retirement in 1981."

"Daisy worked at MU16 in the ammunitions factory, followed by various retail opportunities until working her way through the ranks to become the senior buyer and manager of the painting and decorating department at D W Clarke's department store in Cannock. Her job involved travelling to exhibitions and shows seeking out wallpaper designs, new paints, negoti-



Daisy with grandson Glenn Birch, great-grandson Lewis Birch, step-great-grandson Ollie Knight and great-grandson Jack Birch



Daisy was greeted by friends and family



Cards included one from the Queen

ating prices, plus working on the shop-floor, overseeing the smooth running of her department – she was a much respected part of the managerial team.

"Jim and Daisy loved travel and caravanning. At every opportunity, when their jobs allowed, they would hitch up their caravan and take off. When the grandchildren came along they took them too. Those grandchildren – now

44 and 46 – have very fond memories of those days.

"Jim retired in 1981 followed by Daisy's retirement in 1982."

"They had exciting plans to travel and do more caravanning but sadly this was not to be as Jim died unexpectedly two years later. Daisy moved to be closer to her son and their family in Market Drayton."



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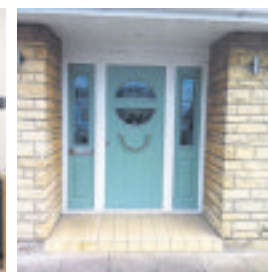
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This year we shall running a further five trips, which have now started and will run until September.

Once again, thanks so much for helping us spread the word.

**NICHOLA ROWLANDS**  
Remembrance Travel

## Opposite opinions

COUNCILLOR Adamson is against fracking on the Chase (Chronicle, April 14).

But he is all for the out of town 'new shopping village' next door to Mill Green Nature Reserve. The mind boggles?

**MRS B M BALL**  
Cannock

## Never a better time to go for a walk

WITH spring's flowers in full bloom and May heralding the beginning of National Walking Month, there has never been a better time for a walk.

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staying healthy. It can also help people manage Type 1 diabetes, Type 2 diabetes or help reduce the risk of Type 2.

Being more physically active doesn't have to involve going to the gym, long-distance runs or intensive aerobics classes. Getting more active can

begin by making small changes to your lifestyle.

So what are we waiting for? It's National Walking Month, the sun is shining, so let's get out there and explore!

**PETER SHORRICK**  
Diabetes UK

## Research needed on condition

THANKS to research and modern technology, we live in an era when medical breakthroughs are producing results that truly transform people's lives.

But it's shocking that the foremost drug that people with Parkinson's rely on, those like my brother-in-law Gordon Scarfe, has not changed in over 50 years.

According to new findings from Parkinson's UK, misunderstanding about Parkinson's is still widespread, and it's time to create greater awareness that it causes so much more than just a tremor. We need to drive forward ground-breaking research: the science is ready and we have the know-how to make this happen.

Parkinson's UK has launched its first public fundraising appeal, We Won't Wait, to raise funds urgently needed to tackle the condition head on. Visit [wewontwait.parkinsons.org.uk](http://wewontwait.parkinsons.org.uk) to find out more.

**JANE ASHER**  
Parkinson's UK

## These are the facts about UK joining EU

MAY I point out to anyone who thinks the UK joined the EU 43 years ago that they are incorrect.

In 1975 the British electorate were given a referendum on joining the EEC or Common Market. The reason we voted in favour at that time is because most people were of the opinion that a non-political Common Market which facilitated trade was a good idea.

At that time, a political and centralised EU was less than a glint in the milkman's eye. In later years it became increasingly obvious to the political elite that the electorate were less than keen on the ever expanding and increasingly intrusive and political European project, which is why in 1992 John Major signed the Maastricht Treaty without a referendum.

**MR ANDREW WILLIAMS**  
Rugeley

## £10 charge for three years' parking is excellent value

WITH reference to the letter from S Burton regarding the charge for a blue badge ("Cuts affect vulnerable", April 13).

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## What next in the news?

THE BBC is having a field day. First Brexit . . . no, forget that. Then North Korea . . . no, forget that. We have an election - let's bore the life out of everyone until June 8. Then wait for the results and drag the last dregs out of that and wait for the next big story to fill the airtime. Cheaper than showing something decent.

**ROGER ALLEN**  
Great Wyrley

# Your Labour Candidates for the Cannock Chase County Council Elections for Thursday 4th May 2017



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## Donations aim to help the patients

League of Friends

STAFFORD & Cannock League of Hospital Friends has donated £13,375 to Cannock Chase Hospital.

The money raised from the proceeds of the catering outlet in Cannock Chase Hospital is being used for improvements which will benefit patients, visitors and staff.

The funds are being used to refurbish the Quiet Room and the mortuary area in the hospital as well as providing a summerhouse and benches for the hospital garden together with a television in the outpatients waiting area.

### Store

The Friends have been working with the Chase Hospital since November 2009 and has over the years made many such donations to the hospital to help improve the service to the patients.

It currently manages the Friends Cafe in the main hospital entrance together with a coffee bar in the waiting area and is also planning to open a small convenience store to provide essential items for patients and visitors. All profits from these outlets are used to support the hospital.

Another service provided by The League of Friends is the daily ward trolley service, which delivers essential items for inpatients.

On April 10 the Friends group opened a property near the town centre that is to be used to cater for the needs of people recovering from alcohol dependence.

# Celebration as club clocks up 30 years



Members cut the cake to mark the 30th anniversary

CHAIRMAN Eileen Cryer welcomed everyone to the 30th birthday luncheon at the Barns Restaurant.

Pat Preece said Grace and the loyal toast was given. The chairman also thanked Angela Reid for making the superb celebration cake and encouraged the ladies to go to see it before it was cut up.

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read and correspondence came from Cannock & District Ladies Probud Club, inviting the chairman, members and guests to attend its annual lunch on May at Chase Golf Club.

Social secretary Elizabeth Stephenson re-

### Cannock Chase Ladies Probud Club

ported on the forthcoming trips and members were asked to volunteer to join the committee.

Guest speaker Pat Hall was welcomed and introduced by Pat Preece.

She was very humorous and told many anecdotes and jokes which kept the ladies amused.

The vote of thanks was given by Jean Hood and a donation of £8 was presented to Mrs Hall.

## Chairman thanks committee

THE Annual General Meeting was held at the March guild meeting.

Chairman Doreen thanked committee members for their hard work and stated there are vacancies and expressed hope other guild members will volunteer during the year.

The financial report and the charity fund to date

### Hednesford A TWG

were stated. Five new members were welcomed to the guild and all members were thanked for their attendance and helping to maintain the ongoing success of the Hednesford Guild.

The year-planner was distributed showing talks and

activities planned for the coming year. David Wright from the Staffs Search and Rescue will be welcomed at the April guild meeting. The next luncheon club will meet at Hedgeford Lodge (Wetherspoons).

Members offered condolences to the family of long-standing member Marlene Crabtree who recently died.



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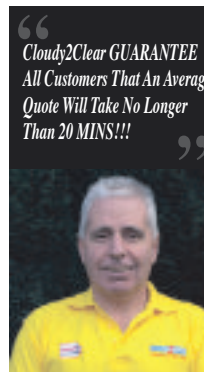
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# Family-run salon opens at centre

## Care to dance? Karin is seeking a partner

A CANNOCK shopping centre has welcomed a new hair and beauty business – family-run Vision Hair and Beauty.

The salon at High Green Court, Newhall Street, is run by sisters Megan, Cara and Emily Slater, who are responsible for specialist services, and their mother Sonia.

Megan is already well-known in the area, having trained with Toni & Guy. Emily is a Level 3 qualified beauty therapist, having four years' experience working at a local salon, and Cara is a qualified make-up artist.

KARIN Henry loves to dance but is in desperate need of a partner. In her words, 'a man who can dance is as rare as hen's teeth'.

The retired nurse has been dancing since she started going to classes four years.

She travels all around Staffordshire and the Black Country from her home in Codsall in search of dances with a group of friends.

But her problem has been finding a partner after many years of being unable to convince her husband Richard to put on his dancing shoes.

The women frequently outnumber men, and are left having to share a partner. Karin said: "If I had a partner I would dance seven days every week. But there are always more ladies than men. There is someone I dance with on Friday nights but that is only once a week. I would like someone who is up for dancing on a more regular basis."

Karin, who is in her early 60s, said she does not mind how old her partner is, and is able to provide transport to and from dances.

The main requirement is that they share her love for dancing. She added: "There are so many things about it. I love to get dressed up like we all do. I hate stopping in the house and watching TV – I would rather watch the grass grow."

"It is a reason to take pride in your appearance, and it is a reason to buy some nice clothes and jewellery. It gives you a social life, and it is excellent exercise." Karin can be contacted on 07932 928576.



Karin Henry is desperate for a dance partner

# Uni makes £19,000 in fines for late books

STAFFORDSHIRE University raked in £19,000 in library fines in one year, new figures show.

The university, which has a campus in Stafford, billed students £18,987.26 for overdue books in the last academic year.

The money was absorbed back into the library budget. However, the figures, obtained through a Freedom of Information request, do not detail fines for damaged books – meaning the university might have collected a much higher sum.

Despite the fines in 2015-16, the university has changed its policy.

It now automatically renews the loan if time has expired, with a cost incurred only if the book is requested by a fellow student and not returned on time. Library head Janet Weaver said: "A new process was launched at the start of this academic year whereby books out on loan are automatically renewed if no-one else has requested them."

"This means that a student could keep a text book for a year.

If another student requests the book, the original student is given a number of days to return the item.

"We budget for a small amount of income from recall charges. This income is offset against the operational costs of running the library service so in essence the money goes back into the system to provide services and resources to students."

The new scheme, introduced in October, charges students £1 a day for each day the recalled book is not returned to the library team.

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Volunteers have opened up the view that had been hidden for almost 20 years

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Following a successful application to Tesco's Bags of Help scheme, the Friends of Etching Hill and its trustees worked hard on the scheme to give views of the Staffordshire Moorlands, Peak District and Trent Valley. Many self-seeded Silver Birch trees were thinned out to enable heathland restoration, and gorse has been removed from around the rock face.

The Friends of Etching Hill was

started six years ago, following a well supported litter pick.

Since then they have continued to have regular litter picks, path clearances and carry out conservation work. They have regular guest speakers on wildlife and environmental issues.

Members hope that in maintaining the hill, today's local people and tomorrow's children will continue to enjoy the same pleasure that previous generations have had.

If anyone would like to know more about the group's activities, they can visit [www.friendsofetchinghill.co.uk](http://www.friendsofetchinghill.co.uk) or [www.etchinghill.blogspot.com](http://www.etchinghill.blogspot.com)



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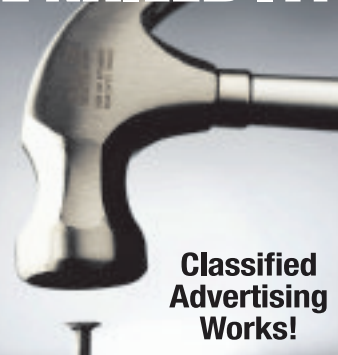
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Visitor numbers to the cave dwellings are rising all the time with 27,000 welcomed last year and 2017 expected to be even busier with predictions of the attraction passing the 30,000 mark.

## Memorial

Celebrations are planned to mark the 100th anniversary of that first donation of land which ensured it would always be somewhere that everyone could escape to. It all started because a family wanted to protect this much-loved site at the same time as honouring their late parents.

As the First World War raged in 1917, there were fears for the future of the countryside amid growing urban development. This prompted the Lee family to buy the land as a memorial to their parents, Grosvenor and Winifred Lee, who had both died during the previous year.

The Lee family also set up the Kinver Edge Committee - a group dedicated to conserving the area and would later fight for the restoration of the rock houses.

There are three levels of houses and in their heyday, between 1840s and 1870s, there would have been occupied by up to 11 families - a total of 40 people. Many were employed at



An old picture of a family there



How some properties look now



Some of the Rock Houses at the treasured beauty spot at Kinver

the nearby Hyde Ironworks but when it closed in the late 19th century, the number of families living in the dwellings dwindled.

The last two families moved out in the late 1950s but a cafe remained open capitalising on a surge in visitors to Kinver Edge.

The National Trust acquired the houses in the 1960s but they continued to fall into disrepair. By the 1980s, it was feared that demolishing them may be the only option but the Kinver Edge Committee stepped in and began restoring the properties, working alongside the National Trust.

In October 1997, volunteers opened the rock houses to the public for the first time.

Helen Selkirk, the site's visitor experience officer, said: "They are quite roomy inside and at the time they would have had everything they needed. It's amazing because they were extraordinary houses but the people living there were ordinary people."

"There was even a social class structure between the three levels with children from the houses on the upper level not being allowed to play with children from the lower level."

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# Airport hits record 12m passengers

FAST-GROWING Birmingham Airport has recorded a new milestone as it continues to grow, by breaking through the 12 million annual passengers mark for the first time.

The record was hit on Easter Monday when it reached the figure of 12,004,124 passengers travelling over the last 12 months, between April 18 last year and Monday, April 17, 2017. It represents a 14.3 per cent increase in total passenger numbers coming through the airport year on year over the rolling 12-month period.

The milestone comes less than a year after breaking the 11m passenger mark on August 19, 2016, and 20 months after smashing through the 10m mark on August 27, 2015.

The Midlands largest airport has recorded 25 months of consecutive record passenger growth as it continues to attract more airlines, routes and passengers.

Birmingham Airport's delighted chief executive Paul Kehoe said: "We're proud to have served 12 million people since last April as we continue our journey of growth and I would like to thank all our passengers, partners and employees for making this happen."

"We will continue to invest in our facilities to improve the customer experience and keep working hard to attract new airlines that offer exciting destinations to enable the Midlands economy to grow and tourists to explore."

# Hopes over HS2 link to Europe still alive

## Field of high-speed dreams



Work on HS2 has started with preparatory land investigations on the planned route in between Lichfield and Whittington

THIS solitary drill may not look like much parked up in the Staffordshire countryside – but within a year it will be transformed into Europe's biggest building site.

The first signs of work on the £55.7 billion HS2 high-speed rail line in the county have appeared.

After a decade of planning, ground investigation work is taking place on fields along the planned route at Whittington. Engineers are drilling holes, or using radar, to determine what type of land the line will be built upon when major construction starts next year.

When completed in 2026, this tranquil part of Staffordshire will

be transformed with a huge embankment, deep railway cutting, and a massive viaduct that will carry the 225mph passenger trains.

HS2 Ltd, the government-owned company behind the project, is assessing some 9,000 sites along the route between London and Lichfield for preparatory work.

In February the first phase of the scheme from the capital to the West Midlands was granted Royal Assent.

It is claimed HS2 will create 25,000 jobs during construction plus 2,000 apprenticeships and support 100,000 jobs. But campaigners have warned it will cause irreversible damage to the countryside.

DREAMS of a direct train route from the Midlands to the continent could still become a reality.

HS2 bosses have revealed a seventh platform – previously earmarked for international journeys – will be built at Birmingham's planned Curzon Street station.

The platform was originally designed to carry high-speed trains direct to Brussels, Paris and Amsterdam. But HS2 bosses cut a link between the new £55.7 billion rail line and the Channel Tunnel to save costs.

However, plans for services to the continent could in the future be revived because they plan to go ahead with a seventh platform at Curzon Street. HS2 Ltd said the station and allow the option to run more domestic services or introduce international journeys later.

A company spokesman added that it would be up to the Department for Transport if it wanted to link HS2 with the Channel Tunnel line, now known as HS1.

### Confirmed

The hunt for designers for the two new HS2 West Midlands stations, at Curzon Street and Birmingham Airport, was launched this month.

In its tender, HS2 confirmed Curzon Street will have seven rail platforms.

It also means passport control booths could be built at Curzon Street to ensure the station can run international journeys but also link to Birmingham Airport.

Even if a direct rail journey is not possible, it is hoped passengers may be able to start their journeys abroad at the Birmingham stations by going through passport control at Curzon Street or the Interchange station near the airport.

Andy Street, the Conservative candidate for the West Midlands Mayor and former Greater Birmingham Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), said: "It's vital that the West Midlands has a gateway to Europe."

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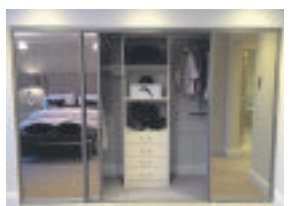


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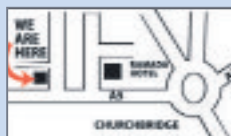
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## Club opens its new £26k waterfront



The waterfront gives people better access to the water and boats **Picture: Greensforge SC**

GREENSFORGE Sailing Club has opened its new waterfront, which gives people of all abilities better access to the water and boats.

The £26,000 project involved improving the mooring frontage in front of the clubhouse at Calf Heath Reservoir, while also adding a ramp.

Funding came from The Veolia Environmental Trust, which awarded £20,900 through the Landfill

Communities Fund, with the club making up the rest. With Greensforge again opening its doors to invite anyone to try sailing for free on Sunday, May 14 as part of the national RYA Push The Boat Out 'have-a-go' festival of sailing, Ian Cooper, training principal and trustee, says the club is rejuvenated.

The waterfront opening saw the 1st Blackfords Sea Scouts sailing dinghies and kayaks.

## Countdown to Push day

THE countdown to an event to get people sailing and windsurfing in Staffordshire is on.

Push The Boat Out 2017 will give families the chance to try sailing and windsurfing for free across the county. Between May 13 and 21, no fewer than five sailing clubs and centres across the county are opening their doors to host 'have-a-go' events.

Each event is different but there is something for everyone, from families and children to young professionals, couples and retirees.

Those hosting events in Staffordshire include Manor Park in King's Bromley near Rugeley, Rudyard Lake in Leek, Greensforge in South Stafford-

shire and Tamworth sailing clubs. They are among 370 events taking place nationwide over the nine Push The Boat Out days, with more than 90,000 people nationally having been introduced to sailing through Push The Boat Out since its launch in 2013.

Saskia Clark, Rio 2016 sailing gold medalist, said: "I got into sailing through my local club as a youngster so it's fantastic to see so many people given the opportunity to discover what the sport's all about right on their doorstep."

For full details of what is on and when at each participating sailing club and centre, visit [www.rya.org.uk/PTBO](http://www.rya.org.uk/PTBO)

To search for an event where disabled people can get on the water, tick the 'Sailability' activities box.

## Commissioner contacts trusts on 'cells used as safe places'

STAFFORDSHIRE Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis has called on mental health trusts to ensure measures are put in place to prevent patients spending time in police cells.

Mr Ellis has expressed concerns that not enough has been done since he commissioned a report in 2013 which revealed the impact on police and patients of people being detained because they were in need of a 'place of safety'.

Under the Policing and Crime Act 2017, using cells as a place of safety for people with a mental health condition should occur only in the rarest of circumstances and even then for no longer than 24 hours. In light of this, Mr Ellis has written to mental health trusts all around the county asking them if they are prepared for the new legislation and have provisions in place to accommodate those who need a place of safety.

He said: "The changes prompted by the report we did in Staffordshire had a major impact with a huge reduction by more than 80 per cent in the county of people held in cells as a place of safety and more than 50 per cent nationally."

"I expressed my horror when I first found out people were regularly held in cells, when no crime had been committed, simply because they were suffering with mental ill-health."

"It was a shock it was taking place in 21st Century Britain, and now I'm really concerned the very real benefits gained since are in danger of being lost."

"We cannot afford to go backwards. The new legislation actually offers added incentive towards reducing even further the use of cells in this way. But I want assurance from the mental health trusts that they have plans in place to respond."

The Staffordshire report on policing and mental health was commissioned in 2013. It was used by the then Home Secretary Theresa May to stimulate changes nationally in the way the police and NHS work together on mental health.

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# Home failed on staff levels and medicines – inspectors

**HEALTH watchdogs say a care home is falling below standards, with safety concerns raised about staffing levels and the handling of medicines.**

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) has published its latest report for Marlyn House in Blackfords, Cannock, stating it needs to improve in four out of five key areas.

The home, in Cannock Road, caters for up to 18 people including dementia sufferers.

Inspectors had demanded at a previous visit that bosses recruit more staff, and while this

By Carl Jackson

time around they noted improvements had been made, they said more needed to be done.

The latest report said: "At the last inspection, the provider was in breach of Regulation 18 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014 because there were insufficient staff to meet people's needs at all times.

"At this inspection, we found that some im-

provements had been made but further action was still needed." Other concerns were raised about the handling of medicines. The area of responsiveness was rated 'requires improvement' – with activities for residents highlighted as an area also in need of addressing.

The one area where the home did excel, and was subsequently rated 'good', was for its care.

In response to the report, care home owner Renu Ghai said: "There were only minor issues which were raised, and we have already put an action plan in place to address what was said."

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## 'Ease pressures on firms' plea

THE director of Cannock Chase's Chamber of Commerce has called on the Government to ease cost pressures on UK firms.

Chris Plant made the remarks in response to figures released this month showing inflation was unchanged in March.

The Office for National Statistics said the Consumer Price Index measure of inflation was 2.3 per cent, unchanged from February and in line with expectations.

Mr Plant said: "Businesses say they are facing an uphill struggle to absorb the increasing cost of imports – a task made more difficult by the raft of additional upfront costs imposed at the start of the new tax year. It is vital that government does more to ease cost pressures facing firms by tackling the burden of upfront costs and taxes associated with doing business in the UK."



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## Hedgehog group in ban plea on traps



Joan Lockley of West Midlands Hedgehog Rescue with South Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson

AN action group has appealed to a Staffordshire MP to stop the use of illegal hedgehog traps.

The Friends of West Midlands Hedgehog Rescue group has written to MP Gavin Williamson about the traps.

According to the group, the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) has 'introduced traps from New Zealand into this country made for the sole purpose of killing hedgehogs'.

Joan Lockley, of West Midlands Hedgehog Rescue, said: "I have asked him to appeal to his government to ban the use of these traps."

"Gavin is very keen on preserving our wildlife - I have spoken to him personally several times on the subject of our countryside and its inhabitants - and he is always keen to discuss these matters."

The group hopes that by contacting Mr Williamson, something will be done to stop the traps being used.

In a post on the group's Facebook page, it said: "Hedgehogs are considered to be vermin in New Zealand because they eat ground-nesting birds' eggs."

# Campaign delight at refusal of rabbit farm

AN appeal against a decision not to allow a rabbit farm in Stafford to be built has been thrown out, to the delight of protesters.

Rugeley-based Romanian food wholesaler POE Ltd wants to breed rabbits at a farm in Gnosall for the purpose of selling their meat, skin and by-products around the globe.

The plans were originally rejected, but the developers submitted an appeal to the Secretary of State Sajid Javid in an attempt to force the scheme through.

The appeal has now been refused due to concerns that it may have a negative impact on nearby roads as well as harm the environment.

The planning application for the site in Radmore Lane was submitted to Stafford Borough Council last year.

About 70,000 people signed a petition against the scheme, while a protest was held in Victoria Park in March. Animal rights organisation PETA also objected.

Speaking of her delight at the decision, Rebecca Wells, from Stop Gnosall's Cruel Rabbit Farm, a campaign group which has opposed the plans, said: "It is great news. We are overjoyed to

By Jordan Harris

hear that the appeal has been dismissed. It has been a lot of hard work keeping people up to date and motivated in terms of supporting our campaign against it but that has all been worth it.

"This has prevented the death of thousands of innocent rabbits. We hope that maybe the developers have seen the light."

A report compiled by Debbie Boffin, an inspector working on behalf of the Secretary of State, states: "I have found that the information before me does not offer sufficient clarity and robustness to be able to conclude that the proposal would not adversely affect the amenity of the area or the natural environment."

No-one from POE was available to comment.

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## Plea on new £80k stand

STAFFORD Rangers has launched a video appeal as the club continues to raise funds to rebuild its iconic Shed End. The club has raised more than £2,000 towards the scheme which is expected to cost close to £80,000. A video uploaded to the club's Stafford Rangers TV channel on YouTube sees fans Graham Mitchell and Alan Gee discuss their love for the club and urge supporters to help towards a crowd-funding campaign to build the new stand. Mr Mitchell said: "All of the money to date has been raised by the fans and has helped us to secure planning permission."

## Tasers are drawn in a thousand incidents

TASERS were drawn more than 1,100 times in Staffordshire and the West Midlands last year, and discharged 195 times.

Generally, the number of times officers resorted to using them fell in 2016 compared with the previous year. West Midlands Police drew them 852 times compared with 914 in 2015 while the number of discharges showed a decrease of 223 to 168.

Staffordshire Police used them 305 times in 2016, firing them 27 times.

Comparatively, the force drew them less in 2015 - 285 times - but discharged them on more occasions - 34.

Staffordshire Police's Assistant Chief Constable Nick Adderley said: "We are mindful that for some, officers carrying Tasers can be an emotive subject, and we must continue to make sure it's used when proportionate."



Matthew Ellis - 'emotive'

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"Every single officer who carries a Taser in Staffordshire is fully and professionally trained to do so. We constantly review the number of officers carrying one based on the risks to communities and officers who often face difficult situations."

Staffordshire Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis said: "The latest Home Office statistics show that the use of Tasers in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent has primarily been as a deterrent, and I am pleased to see that the number of times a Taser has been discharged in the

last year has decreased. The reports provided by Safer Neighbourhood Panels demonstrate their importance, and my aim continues to be to make policing in Staffordshire the most open and transparent in the country."

Chief Inspector Danny Delaney from West Midlands Police said: "Tasers are not drawn lightly by officers."

"They are used where there is a risk of violence and provide an additional option to resolve situations that can arise from all sections of the public, including under-18s."

"Our officers have undergone detailed training. All Taser deployments are the subject of a thorough debrief by a supervising officer to ensure it was appropriate."

## All police to get body-cams in £1.6m upgrade

ALL Staffordshire Police officers are to get their own body-cams that switch on automatically when Tasers are activated as bosses spend £1.6 million upgrading hi-tech equipment.

The investment by the force will provide 1,600 replacement cameras compared with the current 600.

It means all officers, PCSOs and Specialists will be issued with their own device instead of having to share.

The move comes after a review by an Ethics, Transparency and Audit Panel which recommended body-worn cameras should be mandatory for stop and searches as well as reports

of domestic abuse. In 2014 it was recommended officers should wear cameras whenever Tasers were brandished after it was revealed the force drew them more than any other in the country - although rates of firing them were one of the lowest.

The new technology will have the capability for cameras to turn on automatically when Taser X2 models are switched on within 30ft.

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# County's ex-police chief faces case probe

**A FORMER Staffordshire Chief Constable is facing possible investigation over the handling of a historical child sex abuse case.**

The complaint against Chris Sims centres on why a meeting between him and alleged victims of abuse at Tetterton College in Wolverhampton never took place when he was West Midlands Chief Constable – despite one being requested by Theresa May.

**By Rob Gollidge**

The Office of the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner David Jamieson said it had received a complaint from alleged victims Andrew Wood and Mark Shelton.

It is understood another police force is to be asked to look into the complaint, but the pair have also been offered the chance of a meeting with current Chief Constable Dave Thompson and Jonathan Jardine, who runs Mr Jamieson's office.

Mr Wood and Mr Shelton were expecting a meeting with Mr Sims in early 2015 to discuss problems with their case. It followed an intervention by the then Home Secretary in February of that year after it was brought to her attention by then Conservative MP for Wolverhampton South West Paul Uppal.

At the time, prosecutors were deliberating whether to bring charges against ex-Tetterton College head Colin Cope after video footage emerged showing him laughing, joking, driving his car, carrying a table and climbing stairs eight months

after he was deemed too sick to stand trial for sex crimes.

He was charged with 11 offences involving five boys at the school in the 1970s. He denied any wrongdoing. When the trial collapsed, Mr Cope was said to be taking 12 types of medication for illnesses.

Mr Wood, 58, and Mr Shelton, 59, hoped the footage captured in 2010 would allow the case to be resurrected but Mr Cope died aged 84 in March 2015 – a month after the two men's meeting with Mrs May.

Mr Wood and Mr Shelton were among five ex-Tetterton College pupils who were paid a total of £129,000 in a civil claim in an out-of-court settlement in 2012 by the boarding school. The school did not admit liability.

A West Midlands Police spokesman said: "We're aware of the complaint and are seeking to arrange a meeting to discuss the topics raised." Mr Sims, Staffordshire's Chief Constable from 2007 to 2009, declined to comment.

## Plea over pharmacists

A HEALTH chief has issued a seasonal plea to use pharmacists for help with common ailments like hay fever and insect bites. Dr Mo Huda, chair of Cannock Chase Clinical Commissioning Group and a Rugeley GP, said: "Pharmacists are fully trained to give you professional medical advice, with a wide range of over-the-counter medications available. You don't need to book an appointment and many pharmacies now have private consultation rooms so you can talk privately." As well as NHS 111 and local pharmacists, people can also get advice at [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)

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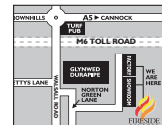
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# Dawn raids after probe into dumping illegal waste

ENVIRONMENT Agency and police officers carried out five dawn raids following an in-depth investigation into illegal dumping of waste.

Two people were arrested pending further inquiries. A third person will also be helping Environment Agency officers with their inquiries.

Enforcement action took place at five separate addresses in Staffordshire, Herefordshire and Hertfordshire following an investigation into illegal dumping of 20,000 to 25,000 tons of waste at 17 sites in the Midlands, North West and North East.

More than 25 Environment Agency investigators, supported by more than 20 police officers from the Staffordshire, Hertfordshire and West Mercia and Warwickshire Police forces, were in action at suspects' homes and business addresses seeking evidence as part of Operation Cesium.

The investigation will now continue, based on the evidence seized in the raids, for many more months.

Paul Clarke, lead investigator in the Environment Agency's national investigation team, said: "We will persistently pursue those suspected of illegally dumping waste.

"In this case, we have 17 landowners and communities blighted by significant amounts of dumped waste. We've already seen some of these sites catch fire, causing significant impact on communities, the environment and our emergency services partners who have to tackle them.

"Illegal waste activity of the likes we're investigating here diverts £1 billion from legitimate businesses and the Treasury, and at the Environment Agency we do everything we can to bring those responsible to account.

"We take waste crime extremely seriously. This is a live and complex investigation, and anyone with further information should contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."

## Day out for refugees is so magical



**Dream come true – the Alshater family enjoy the sights of London**

A GROUP organised a day trip to London with more than 80 refugees from across the West Midlands.

Stafford Welcomes Refugees (SWR) took 87 refugees from Cannock, Stafford, Wolverhampton and Newcastle-under-Lyme to the capital.

Following the Westminster attack on March 22, they laid flowers in memory of the victims. The group was set up by volunteers in 2015 to provide

homes and support to refugees fleeing the war in Syria. Eleven families have been welcomed into Stafford, Cannock and Newcastle-under-Lyme.

Among the refugees visiting London was Hassan Alshater, who said: "I always dreamt to see the landmarks. However, they are more beautiful than I could have imagined. The London Eye and the River Thames were more magical than could be dreamt."

# Work starts on homes

**WORK to build council homes on disused land and former garage sites in Cannock Chase has begun.**

Cannock Chase Council is building the 25 homes across the district.

The homes, which will be a mix of two-bedroom and four-bedroom houses and two and three-bedroom bungalows, are being built on three former garage sites and two disused plots, all owned by the council.

The garages are in Berwick Drive, Brunswick Road and Woodland Close, while the disused land is at Coulthwaite Way and Hannaford Way.

All the homes will be for affordable rent, with the

scheme made possible after a £585,000 grant was awarded from the Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP).

Councillor George Adamson, leader of Cannock Chase Council, said: "We are pleased that we are able to do this.

"We have had some funds from the Greater Birmingham and Solihull LEP.

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## Chairman selected by bishop

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Mr Cooke, chief executive of Christian charity Saltbox, takes over from outgoing chairman Simon Tonking.

"I am deeply honoured to have been asked," Mr Cooke said.

Bishop Michael said: "Lloyd has built up valuable skills and experience while working as a leader across different sectors which I'm sure will prove useful in his new role with the Cathedral Council."

## Speaker in return visit

MEN of Burntwood welcome back Brian Draper to their monthly meeting next month.

He will be at St Matthews Sports and Social Club in Burntwood on Wednesday, May 10.

The subject for his talk will be "The Severn - Bridgnorth to the sea".

For further details about the group and the meeting, contact Vince by calling 01543 682448.

## FOCUS ON BURNTWOOD

# Louis, 10, walks to £10,000 donation for Stephen fund

HE may be only 10 but young Louis Johnson has already raised more than £10,000 for good causes.

And his latest venture prompted a big 'thumbs up' from Jane Sutton, mother of master fundraiser Stephen Sutton, who helped to inspire more than £5 million of charity donations.

By Marion Brennan

Louis was touched by 19-year-old Burntwood student Stephen's fundraising for the Teenage Cancer Trust before his death in 2014 from the disease.

In October the Wolverhampton youngster bumped into Lee Woodward, one of Stephen's friends, at an awards ceremony and decided he wanted to make his own contribution to the cause.

So he organised a walk through his home city, from Tettenhall's Upper Green to Molineux Stadium, through the Mander Centre and on to the Ramada Park Hall Hotel in Goldthorn Park.

Along the way he collected contributions in buckets and at the finish of his great adventure was presented with a £1,000 cheque by the hotel, who have appointed Louis their ambassador. The Christ Church Junior

pupil was accompanied on the walk by Jane Sutton, Lee Woodward, his mother Teresa Johnson, the Ramada's owner Angela Bir and business development manager Malcolm Wright as well as the Wolverhampton Bob-sled team.

In all he raised £1,678.77 - which brings his fundraising total over the past five years to £10,600.

Mrs Johnson said: "Stephen's mother was over the moon. Louis loves helping people and he's been raising money since he was five."

"He knew about Stephen before he died and wanted to do something to help the Teenage Cancer Trust."

"Then when he met Lee in October, it prompted him to do something. He organised the route himself."



Louis Johnson, with Jane Sutton, his mother Teresa and other walkers including the Wolverhampton bobsled team

## Plans are submitted to council

PLANNING applications received by Lichfield District Council include:

1 Morley Road, Burntwood - retention of brick and wrought iron boundary wall to front of property.

6 Galway Road, Burntwood - replacement of flat roof to front with pitched roof and internal alterations.

3 Boulton Close, Burntwood - conversion of conservatory to dining room and single storey front extension to form porch and garage with pitched roof.

The Brambles, 19 Ironstone Road, Burntwood - removal of timber garage and erection of a detached double garage at rear.

7-8 Oldham Cottages, Bellamour Way, Colton - T1, Irish yew tree, reduce in height of tree by up to one metre. Thin out crown of the tree by removal of selective dead wood and ivy to about 15 per cent of growth.

Wade Lane Farm, Wade Lane, Hill Ridware - agricultural determination: erection of an agricultural building for storage of grain and farm machinery.

Comments must be received by May 9.

## Grants available

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## Deadline for trade stands at big show

THE deadline is looming to book a trade stand at the Staffordshire County Show.

More than 65,000 visitors are expected through the gates on May 31 and June 1 – and organisers are reminding people that having a trade stand is an ideal way of showcasing their business.

The family-focussed show, at the Showground in Weston Road, will feature a host of events and attractions.

It will take place during the half-term holiday, meaning youngsters also enjoy a packed programme of activities.

Show secretary Holly Hobson said: “We will be accepting applications up to April 30. It is important to remind people of the deadline so they don’t miss out.”

The Bolddog Lings Motorcycle Display Team will be thrilling the crowds with their stunts on both days.

Other sights not to be missed in the main ring include show jumping, a parade of horses and other livestock, hounds and beagles, the Mounted Games Association and a vintage machinery parade.

For further information call Holly Hobson on 01785 258060 or email [holly@staffscountyshowground.co.uk](mailto:holly@staffscountyshowground.co.uk)

# Running club sets pace with a cash boost for blood bikes

**A GROUP of blood bikers who ensure medical supplies get to where they are needed have been given a boost by a running club.**

Rugeley Runners organised a 10-mile race in February and have now donated £200 to Shropshire and Staffordshire Blood Bikes.

The charity provides a volunteer 24/7 service for the out-of-hours delivery of not just blood but also other medical items, such as breast milk for premature babies and microbiological samples, using specially equipped motorbikes.

The race headquarters for the day was Redbrook Hayes Community Primary School in Rugeley where runners could register before the race and also receive a well-earned bacon sandwich, tea and cake afterwards.

The blood bikers supplied a lead bike to guide the runners around the route as well as a tail end bike to



From left, Chris Gaffiney, headteacher at Redbrook Hayes Community Primary School, Keith Jellyman, race director and chairman of Rugeley Runners, and Steve Hawkes, public manager for Staffordshire and Shropshire Blood Bikes

check on the welfare of the runners and ensure everyone got back safe.

The race, which followed a hilly course and attracted 300 runners, was marshalled by 40 Rugeley Runners members.

The running club has also donated

local event, which was a credit to the organisers. We are very grateful to Rugeley Runners for the donation, which will go towards keeping our life-saving service on the road.”

The service it provides is estimated to save the NHS more than £100,000 a year, as well as saving countless lives. Since being founded three years ago, volunteers have completed more than 5,000 deliveries.

There are around 100 riders, who take it in turns to be on call for 12-hour shifts with eight on duty every day. Between them they cover an area of around 3,500 square miles and regularly serve more than 15 hospitals across Shropshire, Staffordshire and Birmingham, as well as further afield.

As well as being a money-saving facility, they are also providing a faster service to ensure deliveries make it to hospitals in good time.

For more information about the charity and its work visit [www.ssbgroup.org.uk](http://www.ssbgroup.org.uk)

## Thieves target 23 Fiat 500s, police warn owners

FIAT 500s are being targeted by thieves, prompting a warning to owners.

Staffordshire Police have confirmed that there has been an increase in reports of those specific models being stolen or broken into.

The force has advised drivers to increase their security where possible including ‘boxing in’ their cars with others to stop them being driven away.

Police spokesman James Baddeley said: “Owners of Fiat 500 vehicles are being asked to be vigilant.”

“Owners of Fiat 500 vehicles are being asked to increase security measures such as using vehicle anti-theft locks, utilising CCTV to cover where the vehicle is parked, and potentially boxing the vehicle in with other vehicles.”

Meanwhile, a grey Mercedes AMG A45 was stolen after a thief broke into a home in Clarion Way, Cannock, and grabbed the keys while the residents were in bed. Then a white BMW 435 was stolen in similar circumstances from Canterbury Close, Lichfield.

Before the latest thefts there had been eight such incidents in Stafford, eight in Cannock, seven in South Staffordshire and seven in Lichfield since January 1.

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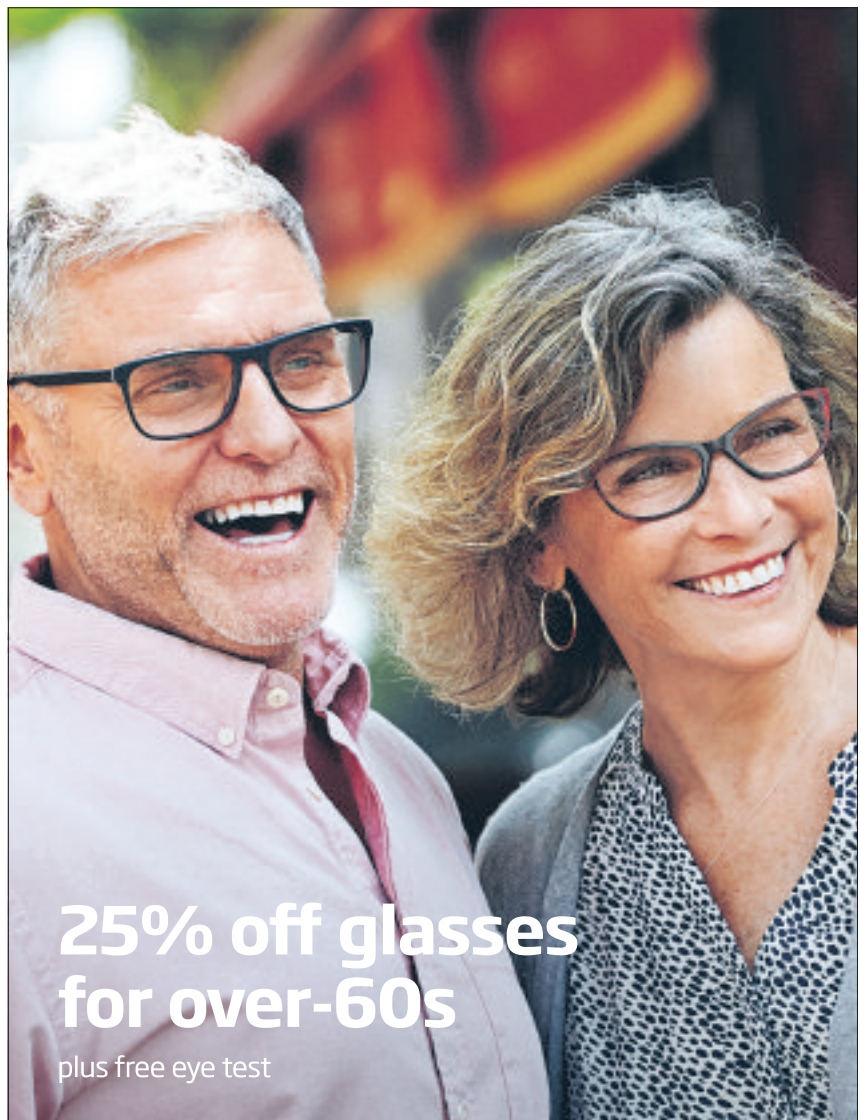


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# County ready for another great day

Staffordshire Day is another chance for the county to shout about what it has to offer

## ATTRACTIONS and community groups have created a packed programme of activities for Staffordshire Day.

The annual celebration, organised by Enjoy Staffordshire and supported by Staffordshire County Council, returns on Bank Holiday, Monday, May 1.

Darryl Eyers, director for economy at the council, said: "We are all incredibly excited about the celebrations for our second Staffordshire Day."

"We all know that Staffordshire is a great county and a great place to live, work and visit but now's our chance to really shout about it."

"There's loads happening on the day from arts events to music and food festivals, and we've even got our own special Staffordshire Day Ale being brewed for the occasion."

"I want everyone to get involved and have a great day. And, remember when joining in the celebrations please tweet a photo of where you are or your favourite place using #StaffordshireDay."

Dozens of events are planned across the county for this weekend including:

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● High-octane fun for all the family at Hednesford Hills Race-

way, with stock cars, hotrods, bangers and the annual Caravan Grand Prix reducing 20 caravans to splinters.

● There will be fairground rides, a circus, parade, market stalls and more at the free Perton Carnival.

● Cannock Chase Trekking Centre's all-day pub ride offers a sedate journey through the Chase for experienced riders, plus a tasty lunch at The Horns near Rugeley.

● A free Dawn Chorus Walk, setting off from Perton Library at 4am, gives early risers the chance to explore the local woodland and lakes, and spot local wildlife, with the help of South Staffordshire RSPB's Theresa Dorrance.

● Foodies can sample some great Staffordshire wine at the Halfpenny Green Vineyards' free tastings, while there will be specialist food and drink, and more, on offer at Hednesford's artisan market and the Penkridge Bank Holiday Market and car boot sale.

● Weston Park will host a plant fair, and an art exhibition at the Granary Art Gallery, featuring equestrian artists Alison Wilson and Glynis Mills.

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● The life of David Garrick, the ground-breaking actor born in 1717, will be celebrated in



Staff at the Moat House in Acton Trussell will celebrate the day by handing out ice cream on their Tour De Lewis ride – chef Lewis O'Carrollm with Marie Colmer, Hayley Kelly, Nikki Bailey and Richard Swancott

and around the Samuel Johnson Birthplace Museum at the free Garrick 300 Community Party.

● Hear the story of writer and poet Anna Seward, and the scandals of Cathedral Close, on a walking tour of Lichfield's historic streets with costumed guide.

● Celebrate Staffordshire's military heroes at the Staffordshire Regiment Museum's Discovery Day.

● Enjoy live music and readings from The Waterside Singers at Swinfen Hall Hotel, followed

by afternoon tea – showcasing Staffordshire produce and specialities.

● On Sunday, April 30, there will be a special, free thanksgiving service at Lichfield Cathedral, featuring displays from schools, charities and local businesses, on why they love Staffordshire.

● At the National Memorial Arboretum, the free-to-enter Curly Magpie Spring Fair returns for two days on Sunday, offering vintage and handmade bargains, plus a nostalgic tea dance.



Maypole dancing will be a popular feature of Staffordshire Day



Visitors to Stowe Pool in Lichfield are invited to peek inside the Edwardian boathouse and take a look at a new art installation

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# Care home again told by watchdog it must improve

A HEDNESFORD care home with 'insufficient' staff has been ordered to improve again by the health watchdog. The Care Quality Commission has rated Marquis Court (Tudor House) care home, in Littleworth Road, as requires improvement for a second time in months.

The home was told its safety, effectiveness, responsiveness, leadership and level of care all need to improve. Specific concerns raised by CQC inspectors revolved around management of risks associated with people's care and medicines and that they thought people were not always treated with dignity.

By Jordan Harris

These findings come after the home was told in September that it was failing to meet certain standards and needed to improve.

A report prepared after inspectors visited the home on February 22 states: "The service was not consistently safe. The provider had not made the required improvements to ensure risks associated with people's care were always managed safely. There were insufficient, suitably trained staff to meet people's needs at all times. People's medicines were sometimes delayed and people's care needs were not always met in a timely way."

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"The service was not consistently effective. Improvements were still required to ensure people were supported to have an enjoyable mealtime experience and have their needs met."

"Improvements were needed to ensure staff received effective training and support to meet the needs of people they cared for."

"The service was not consistently caring. Staff were kind and caring in their approach but at times they did not always treat people with dignity and respect."

"The service was not consistently responsive. People were happy with the way staff cared for them. However, when staff were busy with care tasks they did not always respond in good time to ensure people's individual needs were met. People told us they were frequently bored and the long-term absence of the activities co-ordinator meant that they were not offered opportunities to join in social activities or encouraged to fol-

low their hobbies and interests.

"The service was not consistently well led. The provider had failed to act on feedback received and had not effectively assessed, monitored and mitigated risks to ensure there were sufficient suitably qualified staff to meet people's needs."

"Quality assurance checks were not always effective in identifying shortfalls and driving improvements in the service."

The home provides care for up to 52 residents.

Robert Mitchell, a spokesman for the home, said: "The inspectors acknowledged that there had been improvements at Marquis Court (Tudor House)."

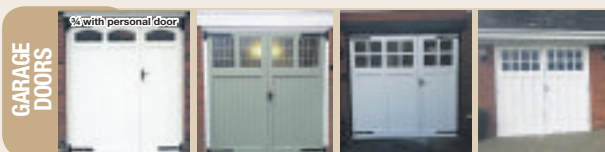
"Although no aspect of the service was rated as inadequate, we recognise that more needed to be done to bring the home to the standards that we expect to provide. Since the inspection in February we have continued to carry out a comprehensive improvement plan and have made good progress."

"People told the inspectors that they felt safe and liked living in the home and that the staff were kind and caring. The inspectors reported that they saw positive interactions between staff and residents."

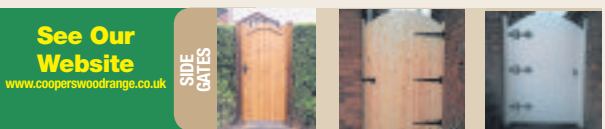
"The registered manager had brought the quality assurance systems up to date and improvements had been made in the management of medicines. As part of the programme of improvements we have increased staffing including the recruitment of an activities coordinator and we have reviewed staff allocation on different shifts and reviewed working practices."

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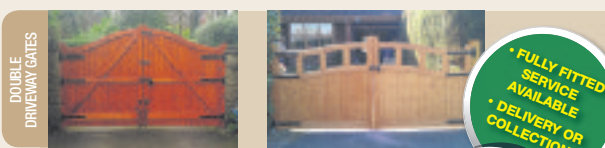
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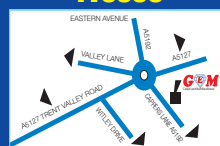
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## Hear dawn chorus on walk

STAFFORDSHIRE Wildlife Trust is encouraging people to ditch the duvet, see the sun rise and hear the birds wake by experiencing one of Britain's greatest wildlife spectacles.

The county's largest nature conservation charity is holding a Dawn Chorus Walk event at its Wolseley Centre headquarters on Monday, May 1, between 5am and 8am.

Experts from the trust will take people on a stroll around the Wolseley Centre grounds, which stretch to 26 acres, to lis-

ten to the early morning birdsong. Sam Pachner, conference and events officer at the trust, said: "We hope to hear the birds in full song including common garden birds such as robins, wrens and blackbirds, and also possibly some of our migrant species that will have arrived for the summer."

"The event is an ideal way to pick up tips and hints on how to identify different birdsong." Admission is £10 and places can be booked by calling 01889 880100. Visit [www.staffs-wildlife.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.staffs-wildlife.org.uk/whats-on)

## Cases of scarlet fever show rise for a third year

**MORE than 250 cases of scarlet fever have been confirmed in parts of Staffordshire and across the Black Country since September. Public Health England (PHE) said the total number of children diagnosed with the disease in the country had risen for the third year in a row.**

Cases increased by more than 20 per cent to 369 in the West Midlands. There were 260 cases reported in Wolverhampton, Sandwell, Dudley, Walsall, Cannock and Stafford between September 5 and April 2. Around 198 cases were reported in the same areas between the start of September 2015 and mid-March 2016.

**Suzi looks happy to slow down the pace**



Suzi Perry pictured in the deep south of the US

YOU most often see her commentating on 200-plus horsepower motorbikes whizzing around tracks across Europe, but Wolverhampton's Suzi Perry was spotted getting about on a much slower form of horsepower in Texas.

The Moto GP Queen, who has been associated with the sport for more than 20 years, posed for a picture while trotting on a horse out in the deep south. The 46-year-old is in the United States for the Red Bull Grand Prix of The Americas at The Circuit Of The Americas.

She originally tweeted: "Ok Texas, I'm en route.... saddle up, a fun ride ahead." Replying to one of her 363,000 followers on Twitter, she stated: "I'm actually quite a decent rider." The former BBC presenter now fronts BT Sport's motorsport coverage, including MotoGP, speedway and the World Rally Championship.

The TV star, who hails from Cosford, returned to her former university in Wolverhampton last summer to collect an honorary degree recognising her work in broadcasting.

Dudley has seen the highest number of cases since the start of September with 84 children diagnosed.

Tony Oakman, strategic director for people at Dudley Council, said: "Scarlet fever is an infection that causes a blotchy, pink-red rash and is most common in young children under the age of 10, but can affect people of any age. The infection isn't usually serious."

"We would actively encourage any parent who thinks their child may have the infection to get the right advice by contacting NHS 111 or their GP."

### Risk

There have been 58 cases in Wolverhampton, 52 in both Walsall and Sandwell, eight in Stafford and six in Cannock.

A PHE spokesman said: "It's not uncommon to see more cases of scarlet fever during winter and spring."

"Scarlet fever is usually a mild illness that can be treated with antibiotics to reduce the risk of further complications and to minimise the risk of its spread to others."

"Symptoms include a sore throat, headache and fever with a characteristic sandpapery, fine, pinkish or red rash. Parents should pay particular attention and if you or your child develops any of these symptoms you should contact your GP."

### Wonderful show

WONDERFUL Music for a Summer's Evening is the title of a concert being staged in Rugeley on May 9. Stafford Grammar School Orchestra are performing at St Augustine's Church in Station Road. Proceeds go to the Alzheimer's Society.

## Economy shows rise

STAFFORDSHIRE'S economy grew in the first quarter of 2017, according to the latest survey by Staffordshire Chambers of Commerce.

There was an overall increase in the level UK sales and orders, and exporting activity, in the manufacturing and services sectors.

Compared with three months ago, businesses said they were more confident of increasing turnover. However, more businesses now expect the price of their goods or services to increase.

## Riders revving up for Bike4Life fundraiser

BIKERS are being urged to secure their place for a charity ride taking place on Sunday in aid of the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity. The Bike4Life Ride Out and Festival covers 23 miles from Meole Brace in Shrewsbury to RAF Cosford and is limited to 3,500 bikes.

Jason Levy, from Midlands Air Ambulance Charity and chair of the Bike4Life organising committee, said: "Bike4Life is a very popular event amongst the biking community, raising awareness of biker safety, and lifesaving funds for Midlands Air Ambulance Charity."

"This year, the Ride Out will be led by former World Superbike champion and racing legend Carl Fogarty, motorcycle and truck racing legend Steve Parrish, adventure motorcyclist and author Nick Sanders, and former Boyzone pop star and professional drift driver and motorcycle enthusiast, Shane Lynch, so it really is an event not to be missed." To take part visit [bike4lifefest.com](http://bike4lifefest.com).



## 'Well being' football launched at club



Wyrley Juniors chairman Keith Hardy – 'the club's ethos is football for all'

FOOTBALL coaching sessions for people with mental health issues are being launched by a football club.

Wyrley Juniors FC, which has 65 teams and almost 900 players, is providing weekly training for men and women aged 16 and over who suffer from mental welfare issues with the aim of linking them up with fellow sufferers while learning new skills. Coach Adam Collins said the evidence suggests that physical activity, such as football, reduces the symptoms of stress, anxiety and depression.

"As a mental health nurse who has worked in the health-care sector for more than 15 years, I have seen first hand how physical activity can have a positive impact upon a person's physical and mental health," he said.

Wyrley Juniors already provides football for girls and women, disabled footballers and the over-35s and is planning to field deaf and blind teams.

Club chairman Keith Hardy said: "The club's ethos is 'football for all' and we are delighted that Adam has stepped forward to help us achieve one of our objectives."

He said that the idea was to provide a 'supportive and fun' environment with a long-term view of playing competitive football. Contact Adam on 07902 562052.

## DX Freight hub battle is over at long last

RESIDENTS breathed a sigh of relief after DX Freight's appeal against the refusal of its proposed £36 million super hub was withdrawn.

The scheme, which was earmarked for a 40-acre site off Hobnock Road, Essington, has prompted outrage in the village for 18 months. Demonstrations have been held by outraged residents.

They say the plans would have been inappropriate for green belt land, as well as increasing traffic, lorry pollution and noise in the area.

South Staffordshire Council refused DX Freight's bid to relocate its base at Wilenhall to Essington last May. It then also refused scaled-down plans from the firm in February this year.

A public inquiry was scheduled to start on September 5 after the company appealed the first refusal.

However, the authority now says DX 'does not plan to take any further action regarding this site and will look for an alternative elsewhere'.

Essington ward councillor David Clift said: "I am just absolutely overjoyed at this. This is something that has gone on for so long and res-

By Jordan Harris

idents have faced so many challenges. It has been an excellent campaign from residents, which just shows what people can do when they put their minds together. I hope other communities can look at what we have done and take heart."

The move would have secured the firm's 550 jobs as well as create dozen more positions.

Other benefits touted included £150,000 to be invested in improving local roads, £271,000 set aside to maintain the development as well as the creation of a wildflower meadow on part of the land which had originally been earmarked for a 'Phase 2' expansion in the future.



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# Roadchef opens new facility for drivers

A MOTORWAY service station in Staffordshire has opened a changing facility for the disabled.

Roadchef has announced the opening of a Changing Places facility at its Norton Canes site, on the M6 Toll.

It will provide customers with specialist equipment and more space than is available in a conventional disabled facility, representing a significant investment by Roadchef.

Simon Turl, chief executive at Roadchef, said: "Roadchef prides itself on providing the best service on the motorway network and it is important to us that all of our customers are able to comfortably use our facilities.

"We're delighted to now be able to meet the needs of all people with a disability and we look forward to welcoming customers who are now able to take advantage of this facility."

Changing Places campaigner Tony Clough MBE said: "I am delighted Roadchef has invested in this Changing Places facility. This move provides motorists travelling north and south on the M6 Toll with the best, most accessible facilities when they stop during their journeys."

# Review of garden bin charges 'just a sham' – councillor

**THE review of the decision to go ahead with charges for brown bin collections has been branded 'just a sham' by the leader of the Labour opposition group on Lichfield District Council.**

The original decision to introduce a £36 charge per year for each garden waste bin, which was agreed unanimously by the Conservative cabinet, was called in for further scrutiny by five Tory councillors.

At a further meeting last week, Councillor Sue Woodward re-stated her objections to the proposal, as she had at the previous two meetings, but the decision was endorsed by a majority vote. All five of the members who had called in the decision voted to support it.

This decision now means that households will pay £36 to opt in to the brown bin scheme for the collection of green waste from next January.

Councillor Woodward, leader of the Labour group, said the so-called bin tax had been introduced in the face of clear public opposition.

**Cynical**

"I'm very disappointed that members voted for the decision to stand, as I know many Lichfield district residents are," she said. "From the outset of the discussion it seems that members were only concerned about the public reaction against the bin tax rather than the principle of this additional charge.

"The call in was just a sham, a cynical misuse of the call in process, to try to placate the public opposition. I don't think residents will be at all fooled by this.

"Concerns were expressed at the previous meetings about the impact on older and disabled people, which have been taken on board to some extent, but I wanted to reinforce Labour's concerns about the impact on the vast majority of residents, the 'just about managing' as they are called.

"It is outrageous that the public are being asked to pay these additional fees. It's a stealth tax, pure and simple."

Councillor Woodward claimed the meeting was a cynical move to try and push back the decision until after the county council elections on May 4.

She added: "I managed to persuade some Conservative members to join in Labour's opposition but, sadly, too few. The majority simply ignored the public's views."

**Clinical director Hamish Duncan with bee-friendly plants for planting**

A VETERINARY practice in Great Wyrley is inviting people to join in a 'gardening fest' this Saturday as staff plant a much-needed food source for bees.

More than 100 lavender plants – cited on the Royal Horticultural Society's Perfect for Pollinators list – will be planted around the car park at 387 Vets in Walsall Road.

"Stories about the decline of the bee are never far from the Press, and in many European countries, bees are considered part of a vet's responsibilities – vet students are taught about bee science to help combat disease," clinical director

Hamish Duncan said. "Whilst this isn't yet part of a vet student's remit in the UK, disease isn't the only threat to such an important pollinator for our economy; pesticides and lack of a sustained food source are also causing bee numbers to decline."

The 387 team will be gardening at the practice from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. They will also be litter-picking in the local area.

Anyone interested should meet at the reception and need to take with them a trowel and gardening gloves.

All volunteers will be rewarded with home-baked afternoon tea.

# Queen's Award recognition for web consultancy

# Delight at leap in star rating for business

A RUGELEY-BASED web consultancy has won the Queen's Award for Enterprise.

Conversion Rate Experts, which 'optimises the profitability of online businesses' received the award in the Innovation category.

The Queen's Award for Enterprise is granted to businesses for outstanding achievement in either international trade, innovation, sustainable development or promoting opportunity through social mobility.

The Queen will present the awards at Buckingham Palace later this year.

Conversion Rate Experts won the accolade in recognition of its success in codifying a scientific methodology that industry leaders like Google, Facebook, Amazon and Apple now use to improve websites.

The company serves clients in 22 countries from its office in Hawkesyard Hall, working remotely across seven countries.

Its founder, 'rocket scientist' Karl Blanks, said: "Our roots in the local community are very important to us.

"I grew up in Stafford while my business partner Ben Jesson comes from Cheslyn Hay. Both of us love living and working here."

THE Lichfield-based Central England Co-operative, which has shops across the Black Country and Staffordshire, is celebrating being awarded four-and-a-half stars out of five in Business in the Community's 2017 Corporate Responsibility Index.

Its rating has leaped from two-and-a-half stars in 12 months, with an overall score of 98 per cent, rising from 87 per cent in 2016.

Martyn Cheatle, Central England Co-operative chief executive, said: "We are delighted to have achieved a ranking of four and a half stars, and it is a credit to the colleagues across the society who have all played a part in this achievement.

"Our new CR Index score is based on recognition for a wide range of initiatives and projects including the measurement of the impact our community investment has had in the areas in which we serve, sustainable procurement, training, environmental management, and supplier support.

"It also highlights our continued efforts to develop our community partnerships, help raise funds for charity, engage with young people and reduce waste," he added.



## Slimmers make first charity donations



From left, Sally Cooper of Walsall Breast Cancer Self Help Group, and Kirsty Lewis of New Cross children's cancer ward, with the Great Wyrley Self Help Slimmers

GREAT Wyrley Self Help Slimmers have made their first charitable donations.

The slimming group, which started in November last year, is non-profit making and will donate excess funds to local charities.

The 30 members have already raised more than £300 which has been split between the children's cancer ward at New Cross Hospital and Walsall Breast Cancer Self Help Group. In addition, the Children on the Cancer Ward will

also receive over 40 Easter eggs and soft toys. Meeting every Monday from 6pm to 7pm at Harrison's Social Club in Wharwell Lane, the self-help slimmers are weighed each week before chatting about products, recipes and exercise ideas.

The group have lost a total of 176lb between them this year.

Anyone requiring further details is welcome to drop in at the next meeting.

## Free entertainment on trains

AN entertainment package has been launched on some London Midland trains.

The Motion service will be operating on the service from Wolverhampton to Walsall via Birmingham New Street.

It is also available on the Liverpool to Birmingham service that stops at Stafford and Wolverhampton and on the Lichfield Trent Valley to Redditch trains. The free package includes movies, TV programmes, eBooks, games and magazines plus Wi-Fi.

It is the first time movies have been available on trains on a web browser,

so there is no need to download an app before travelling. Major Hollywood movies including *Girl on a Train*, children's TV favourites including *Peppa Pig* and *Ben & Holly*.

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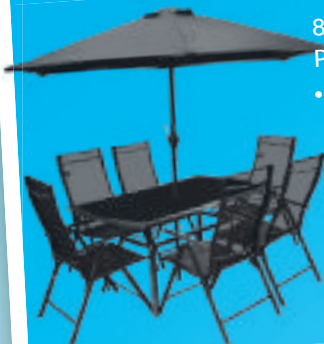


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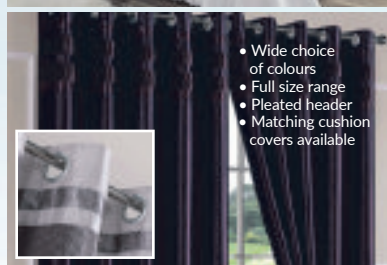


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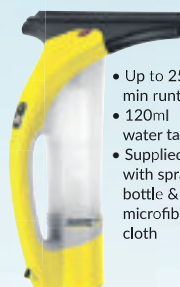
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# Good things come in small packages

**H**e describes himself as an old man who wants to complain about the world but offer no solutions. Jon Richardson is the archetypal Grumpy Old Man – who is both grumpy and old before his time.

And the quietly sophisticated comedian will thrill fans when he headlines Birmingham's Hippodrome on Thursday as part of a national tour.

The show follows on from his recent TV hit, *How to Survive the End of the World*, for Channel 4, which was screened earlier this year.

He says: "The show was basically a small terrified man and his (would you believe it) even smaller and sometimes more terrified wife making a list of the things that they're scared might kill them, and then me going out and looking into them one by one, in the hope that I can come home and tell her, 'D'you know what, actually these are all irrational fears. We don't need to worry about any of them, and we can get on with our lives as normal'."

Jon was supposed to investigate major dangers, such as terrorism, but digressed into looking at the state of sausages and air pollution.

"I think I'm quite small, I don't think that helps. I feel quite small in a lot of ways. And I also think I'm right – we're all going to die of something, and there's just a lot of awful stuff in the world. I know that's not a particularly upbeat message, particularly coming from a comedian, but that's all that life is, really: Dealing with horrific stuff and trying to make it funny," he says.

## DEMEANOUR

"I think it's more that it impacts on my demeanour. We've had a couple of incidents where we haven't done things as a family: We'll avoid built-up areas, so there's times when we actually have changed events. But it's more that sort of constant fear of things just stops you being the person you'd like to be. I don't know if this has come across in our dealings so far, but I wouldn't say I'm a particularly sparkling, upbeat person to talk to. I need all the help I can get, so if I could at least not have that voice in the back of my head that's always telling me to look left and look right and look up, and breathe through my nose and not through my mouth, so it's double-filtered, and all those silly things, maybe I'd be a better person if I could live more in the moment."

Jon's wife is also a worrier and they often end up freaking one another out, rather than winding each other up. There are times when it might be easier for both of them to simply go and see a psychiatrist.

"It would, but that would be a selfish route to my goal! It would sort me out, but I am in the role of giving to the wider community, and that's why I'm willing to film my investigations and put them on telly. You will see a genuine upsurge in the wellbeing of Britain. I would say, in the 2-3 weeks after this, there will be an immediate spike. And then in the six to 12 months afterwards we'll start to see the economic benefit of my work."

Jon found a number of weird scenarios in his new TV show. The strangest was meeting a man called Troy in Canada.

"What you often find with these documentaries is that everyone you meet could easily have a documentary all to themselves. People's lives are fascinating, and this documentary was certainly like that. Every issue we looked into, you could have spent not just one documentary, but a series looking into it. As for Troy – there should be some Kardashians or Osbornes-style documentary. For a start there should be a webcam on him all the time, just so that we

Young fogey – Jon's old and grumpy before his time



*I wouldn't say I'm a particularly sparkling, upbeat person to talk to*

can tune in and watch him for a bit. He gave us so much footage. He's not just invented an anti-bear suit.

"He's invented what he thinks is an improved Kevlar. It's a lighter-weight, more flexible, bullet and bomb-proof outfit for the army, which he's just made himself in his garage. He's created a chemical which he says if you drop it in an ocean, it'll separate the oil from the water, so that you can clear up the oil from an oil spill in minutes rather than weeks."

"He's invented his own laser, which he points at his own head daily, to regenerate hair growth. He's one of the most intriguing people I've met in my life. We filmed with him in the bear suit, testing it by driving through a brick wall. The hours in his laboratory were so intense. We could have just aired that undedited. And there's a genuine possibility that he's invented something that could change the world, and no-one's listening to him. Because he sounds so intense, you end up just shuffling out of the room, because he's just terrifying to be with. But undoubtedly he was the most intriguing, and if I was more of a Louis Theroux type, I'd definitely go back and do a full week with him."

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Sheridan Smith in Funny Girl



## Funny Girl Sheridan is ready for her star turn

THE West End's brightest star, Sheridan Smith, is coming to Birmingham Hippodrome to reprise her role as Fanny Brice following record-breaking success in hit musical Funny Girl in London.

Funny Girl brought global fame to Barbra Streisand 50 years ago, on Broadway, in the West End and then as a movie musical, and boasts such iconic songs as People and Don't Rain On My Parade.

It tells the story of Fanny Brice who went from burlesque to Broadway, becoming one of America's biggest stage and radio stars of the 1920s and 30s.

Michael Mayer's revamp of the 1964 show features revisions by Harvey Fierstein of Isobel Lennart's original book, and of course retains the songs by Julie Styne and Bob Merrill.

Sheridan Smith won an Olivier Award for her starring role in Legally Blonde at the Savoy Theatre, and an Olivier for her dramatic role in Flare Path at the Theatre Royal Haymarket. In television she won a Bafta for her role in Mrs Biggs and praise for playing Cilla, after originally catching the eye in Gavin & Stacey and Two Pints of Lager and a Packet of Crisps.

Funny Girl is at Birmingham Hippodrome from Monday to Saturday, May 8-13. For tickets visit [www.birminghamhippodrome.com](http://www.birminghamhippodrome.com) or call 0844 338 5000.

Funny Girl will visit Wolverhampton Grand Theatre from July 24 to 29 with Natasha J Barnes as Brice. She got excellent reviews when sharing the role with Smith in the West End. The male lead role of Nick Arnstein will be played by Chris Peluso in Birmingham and by Darius Campbell in Wolverhampton. Campbell is now a major stage star after pop hits as Darius.

## Rich pickings with American grouch



Rich Hall is rightly regarded as one of the funniest comedians to come out of the US in recent times.

And, as he is based in the UK most of the time, this country has, over the past three decades, had the benefit from his grouchy sense of humour.

Now we are about to enjoy more of his crotchety comedy, as he is on a nationwide tour with his new show Hoedown, coming to Stourbridge Town Hall on May 19 and Stafford Gatehouse on May 26.

The comedian, who has won both a Perrier (Edinburgh Comedy Festival) and a Barry (Melbourne International Comedy Festival) Award, is surely the funniest

curmudgeon in The West (with apologies to Jack Dee and Romesh Ranganathan).

Rich's straight-talking and acerbic comedy leaves his targets reeling and his audiences in stitches. He sends up whichever country he is in, but perhaps reserves his most trenchant scorn for his native USA, and since the arrival of President Trump, he's got plenty to take aim at.

Rich, who has presented such BBC 4 documentaries as Rich Hall's Inventing the Indian and Rich Hall's Presidential Grudge Match, says he is excited to be performing live once again.

"I love the fact that when a live show is over, it's gone. It's happened, and it will never

happen like that again. It can't be replicated. That's a great magical moment," he says

"In every single show, there are always two or three moments where I'm thinking, 'Wow, where did that come from?' You're constantly thinking on your feet."

One of the features of Rich's act is that he goes out of his way to find out about the town he is playing in and then improvise a song about it. "I try to tap into what is happening locally and address that musically."

"I like to do something custom-made every night. Once they realise you're not just trotting out your regular act, people think, 'He's made a real effort. He's on our side, so we're on his side'. Then you can take them anywhere."

## Quality of Mersey sound at Sunflower

Psychedelic pop with a Scouse flavour will be heard in Birmingham city centre when The Sundowners and Edgar Jones & The New Joneses join forces at the Sunflower Lounge on Thursday, May 4. Both bands have new albums out on Liverpool label Skeleton Key Records.

As a teenager Jones was in a band with Merseyside legend Ian McCulloch of Echo & The Bunnymen – who has his own gig at Bilston's Robin 2 on May 9 – before forming cult outfit The Stairs, and working with Paul Weller and Johnny Marr.

The summery sounding Sundowners feature the vocals of Niamh Rowe and Fiona Skelly. Fiona and Affie Skelly, on lead guitar, are siblings to The Coral's Skelly brothers. Birmingham band Cut Glass Kings will support at the Smallbrook Queensway venue.

## Magical circus tale hits The Road

One of the masterpieces of cinema, Federico Fellini's 1957 Oscar-winner, La Strada (The Road), is brought to the stage in a new adaptation at Birmingham Repertory Theatre from May 8 to 13 as part of a UK tour.

La Strada tells the tender tale of wide-eyed Gelsomina (Audrey Brisson, pictured) who is sold to the brutish circus strongman Zampano but Il Matto, the tightrope walker, tries to rekindle her broken spirit. Visit [birmingham-rep.co.uk](http://birmingham-rep.co.uk) or call the box office on 0121 236 4455.



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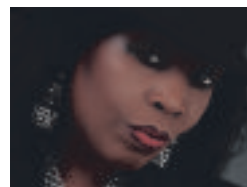
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## CHOICE



Tom Davis

**Murder in Successville (BBC1, 11.25pm)**  
Originality – it's a rare thing these days. Programmes come and go, but if one happens to be a major success, other companies come along and try to replicate it with a twist on the same format. Sometimes it works, but more often than not, it falls by the wayside – not that such a thing stops anybody else having a go. So when something that is truly new comes along, we should all sit up and take notice – and doff our caps at its creators. Murder in Successville certainly falls into the 'original' category, which means the brains behind it, Avril Spary and Andy Brereton, need to stand up and take a bow. Tom Davis heads the cast as DI Sleet, a hapless yet lovable detective, and he's thrilled to be back in action.

## BBC1

**6.00** Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Mary Berry's Absolute Favourites. (R) **12.00** Football Focus. **1.00** BBC News: Weather. **1.15** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The opening semi-final is set to reach a conclusion. **4.30** Final Score. **5.30** Who Dares Wins. **6.10** BBC News. **6.20** Regional Programme. **6.30** **Pointless Celebrities.** Jimmy Osmond, Kym Mazelle, Jedward, Nancy Lam, Sam Simmons, Ossie Ardiles and Guillem Balagué compete in an internationally themed edition of the unorthodox quiz show. **7.20** **Doctor Who.** Doctor and Bill visit Regency London to attend the last of the great frost fairs, but get wrapped up in a mystery when a sinister force stirs beneath the ice of the frozen Thames. **8.10** **Casualty.** Part two of two. Roy Ellison's relatives cause chaos in the ED, and Lily is rushed into the ward after being found unconscious in the car park. **9.00** BBC News: Weather. **9.20** **All Round to Mrs Brown's.** Agnes invites one last selection of celebrities into her home, as her Saturday night chat show concludes. This time, actor, singer and West End star Michael Ball pulls up a chair in Mrs Brown's sitting room, along with actress and one-time Strictly Come Dancing contestant Sunetra Sarker. Most Haunted presenter Yvette Fielding lends her ghost-hunting skills to Dermot and Buster during their Celebrity Haunted House tour; National Lottery Update. **10.20** **Match of the Day.** Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Southampton v Hull City at St Mary's Stadium and Crystal Palace v Burnley at Selhurst Park. **11.25** **Murder in Successville.** Guest rookie Martin Kemp goes back in time to solve the very first murder in Victorian Successville, that of lady-of-the-night Rita Ora. Comedy, starring Tom Davis. **11.55** **Film: Wild Hogs.** (2007) Four middle-aged suburban friends try to rev up their lives on a cross-country motorbike trip. Comedy adventure, with John Travolta, William H Macy, Tim Allen and Martin Lawrence. **1.30** Weather for the Week Ahead. **1.35** BBC News.

## BBC2

**6.25** **Film: On Moonlight Bay.** (1951) **8.00** **Film: That's Entertainment Part Two.** (1976) **10.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. **12.00** Raymond Blanc: How to Cook Well. (R) **12.30** **Hairy Bikers' Best of British.** (R) **1.15** 60s Icons: Taking Pictures. **1.45** **Film: The Ipcress File.** (1965) Spy thriller, starring Michael Caine. **3.30** Natural World. (R) **4.30** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The opening semi-final is set to reach a conclusion. **5.30** The Crucible: 40 Golden Snooker Years. (R) **6.30** **Dad's Army.** HO discover that Mainwaring is not a commissioned officer and he is ordered to join the ranks as a private. Sergeant Wilson is put in temporary charge, but his lack of leadership skills during a training exercise leaves the platoon yearning for the captain's reinstatement. Comedy first aired in 1969, starring Arthur Lowe and John Le Mesurier. (R) **7.00** **Live Snooker: The World Championship.** Hazel Irvine presents coverage of the fourth and final session of the second semi-final at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, where the first player to reach 17 frames will progress to the final. This match produced a thriller last year between Mark Selby and Marco Fu, with Selby prevailing, where the first player to reach his third world final, where he would face qualifier Ding Junhui. **9.30** **Film: Calvary.** (2014) Premiere. A priest in a rural Irish village receives a confession from a man who vows to kill him in one week as punishment for the Catholic Church's history of child abuse. The cleric spends his last seven days trying to put his community's affairs in order, but finds himself surrounded by people who harbour resentments of their own against the Church. Drama, starring Brendan Gleeson, Chris O'Dowd, Kelly Reilly, Aidan Gillen and Dylan Moran. **11.05** **Versailles.** The King's bad example is seen as typical of the nobility's immorality as his adultery with Madame de Montespan not only troubles his Queen but also zealous young Father Pascal. (R) Inside Versailles. **12.05** **Film: Rabbit-Proof Fence.** (2002) **1.30** This Is BBC Two.

## ITV

**6.00** CITV: Bottom Knockers Street. **6.10** Bottom Knockers Street. (R) **6.25** Sooty. (R) **6.35** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **6.40** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.50** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **7.00** Oddbods. (R) **7.05** Marvel Avengers Assemble. (R) **7.30** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **7.55** NinjaGo: Masters of Spinjitzu. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** The Home Game. (R) **10.20** James Martin's French Adventure. (R) **11.20** Tipping Point. (R) **12.25** ITV News: Weather. **12.30** Bigheads. (R) **1.30** ITV Racing: Live from Sandown. Coverage of today's race meetings at Sandown Park and Haydock Park. **4.00** Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs. (R) **4.30** Britain's Got More Talent. **5.30** Catchphrase. (R) **6.15** **Regional Programme:** Weather. **6.25** ITV News: Weather. **6.45** **Take Me Out.** Paddy McGuinness presents as Croydon bartender Tommy, prison officer Luke from Swansea, Essex-based salesman Bayo, and travel consultant Rixy from Leeds enter the 'Love It'. All four hope to impress 30 single women and win a date – but must first get the female participants to keep their lights on as a sign of approval. **8.00** **Britain's Got Talent.** The audition stage reaches its third week, as judges Simon Cowell, Amanda Holden, David Walliams and Alesha Dixon continue to travel the length and breadth of the nation to invite more would-be stars to demonstrate their unique talents on-stage. This year, the judges already seem to be eager to place their stamp on performers, as the usually reticent Simon hit his Golden Buzzer during the very first set of auditions. **9.20** **Through the Keyhole.** Keith Lemon visits mystery celebrity homes and challenges this week's panel – Kimberley Walsh, Jonathan Ross and Andi Peters – to guess the identities of the famous owners. (R) **10.15** ITV News: Weather. **10.35** **Film: Yes Man.** (2008) A downtrodden man has his life transformed when he decides to say yes to every opportunity. Comedy based on the book by Danny Wallace, starring Jim Carrey and Zoey Deschanel. **12.25** Jackpot247. **3.00** Who's Doing the Dishes? (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

## CHANNEL 4

**6.05** Motor Sport: Mini Challenge. **6.35** Volkswagen Racing Cup. **7.00** The King of Queens. (R) **7.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.50** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.50** Frasier. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **9.55** Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix Practice 3 Live. **11.25** F1 Meets Daniel Ricciardo. **11.55** Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix Qualifying Live. **2.30** The Auctioneers. **3.35** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun. (R) **4.35** Big House, Little House. **5.35** Location, Location, Location. (R) **6.30** **Channel 4 News.** **7.00** **The Restoration Man.** Architect George Clarke returns to catch up with London couple Justin Hooper and Charlotte Seddon, who first appeared in the show's third series, planning to transform a derelict wartime airfield control tower in Scotland into a new family home. Four years later, George finds out how the pair's ambitious venture fared, as they struggled to project-manage the site from 600 miles away. With costs spiralling out of control, Justin and Charlotte faced a difficult decision: shut down the build, or make a complete lifestyle change by relocating their family to the site. **8.00** **Walking Through Time.** Paleobiologist Dr Tom Herridge follows up her documentary on the mega-flood that separated Britain from continental Europe with three more investigations, all of which explore some of the prehistoric forces that shaped the national landscape. She begins by visiting north-west Scotland, where the craggy coastline indicates an asteroid landed 1.2 billion years ago. (R) **9.00** **Film: Carol.** (2015) Premiere. A housewife in 1950s New York forms a close attachment with a younger woman seeking fulfilment in her own life. Romantic drama based on Patricia Highsmith's novel The Price of Salt, starring Cate Blanchett and Rooney Mara. **11.20** **Film: Zombieland.** (2009) A small group of survivors goes in search of a safe haven in an America overrun by ravenous zombies. Comedy horror, starring Woody from Toy Story, Jesse Eisenberg and Emma Stone. **1.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. (R) **1.50** Hollyoaks. (R) **3.55** Shipping Wars UK. (R) **4.20** Fifteen to One. (R) **5.15** Location, Location, Location. (R)

## CHANNEL 5

**6.00** Milkshake! **10.15** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **10.50** Access. **10.55** Criminals: Caught on Camera. (R) **11.20** The Gadget Show. (R) **12.15** The Gadget Show. (R) **1.15** On Benefits: Costa del Dole. (R) **2.15** On Benefits: Living the High Life. (R) **3.15** On Benefits: Single & Skint. (R) **4.15** The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door. (R) **5.10** Can't Pay Special: Secrets and Lies. (R) **6.10** **Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away.** In West London, agents Max and Cona chase up more than £2,000 in unpaid parking fines, but when they try to seize a vehicle, the debtor tries to take a tree. Meanwhile in Lancashire, officers Stewart and Elmor try to collect £4,000 owed for unpaid nursery fees. (R) **7.05** **NCIS: Los Angeles.** The team investigates the death of a Navy intelligence officer, and the choice of murder weapon leads the agents to believe he was killed by a colleague. However, while former SoCal Sam threatens to compromise the integrity of the case, evidence suggests the victim may have been selling secrets to the enemy. **8.00** **NCIS.** The team must ask a traumatised serviceman to recall the events of an ambush he survived while serving in Iraq, after a American couple are attacked in the very same spot. **8.55** **5 News Weekend.** **9.00** **Football on 5: The Championship.** Action from the penultimate round of regular-season fixtures in the Championship, including Brighton & Albion v Bristol City at the Amex Stadium, Leeds United v Norwich City at Eland Road, and Ipswich Town v Sheffield Wednesday at Portman Road. **10.00** **Film on 5: Goal Rush.** George Riley and Lynsey Hipgrave introduce all the goals from the weekend's games in League Two, including Hartlepool United v Barnet and Carlisle United v Newport County. **10.15** **Film: Tower Block.** (2012) The residents of a soon-to-be-demolished tower block are trapped while a mysterious sniper picks them off one by one. Thriller, starring Sheridan Smith and Jack O'Connell. **12.00** SuperCasino. **3.10** **Film: The Long Ships.** (1963) **5.15** House Doctor. (R) **5.40** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

## DIGITAL

**BBC Four**  
**7.00** Dan Cruikshank: At Home with the British **8.00** The BBC at War **9.00** **Film: Pioneer** (2013) **10.45** Top of the Pops: 1983 **12.05** Sinatra: All or Nothing at All **2.05** Dots: The Andy Williams Show **3.05** Sounds of the Eighties **3.35** Close **ITV4**  
**11.00** Britain's Got Talent **12.25** Britain's Got More Talent **1.30** Take Me Out **2.45** Take Me Out – The Gossip **3.50** You've Been Framed! Gold **4.50** **Film: Flubber** (1997) **5.20** FYI Daily **5.25** **Film: Flubber** (1997) **6.10** **Film: The Incredible Hulk** (2008) **7.10** FYI Daily **7.15** **Film: The Incredible Hulk** (2008) **8.20** Scorpion **9.20** Britain's Got More Talent **10.25** Celebrity Juice **11.25** Family Guy **12.50** American Dad! **2.10** Through the Keyhole **3.00** Teleshopping **ITV3**  
**12.55** Margery and Gladys **3.00** Lewis **4.55** Rosemary & Thyme **7.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **9.00** Foyle's War **11.05** Law & Order: UK **2.00** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping **ITV4**  
**12.45** Counting Cars **1.40** Football Rivalries **2.00** Cycling: Tour de Yorkshire Live. Coverage of the second stage. **5.15** Football Rivalries **5.30** Storage Wars: Texas **5.55** Fierce **7.00** Cycling: Tour de Yorkshire **8.00** River Monsters **9.00** **Film: The Devil's Advocate** (1997) **10.00** FYI Daily **10.05** **Film: The Devil's Advocate** (1997) **11.55** **Film: Don't Say a Word** (2001) **12.55** FYI Daily **1.00** **Film: Don't Say a Word** (2001) **2.10** Cash Cowboys **2.55** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping **E4**  
**12.30** **Film: Hop** (2011) **2.30** **Film: Percy Jackson & the Lightning Thief** (2010) **4.50** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **5.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** **Film: Safe House** (2012). A CIA agent has to protect a captured fugitive from mercenaries, but also has to resist his prisoner's mind games. Thriller, with Denzel Washington and Ryan Reynolds. **11.15** Gogglebox. Viewers' opinions on The Island with Bear Grylls and The Eurovision Song Contest. **1.25** Rude Tube **2.30** Tattoo Fixers **3.20** Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. **4.05** How I Met Your Mother **4.45** New Girl **Film4**  
**11.00** Courage Mountain (1990) **1.00** The Borrowers (1997) **2.45** The Rugrats Movie (1998) **4.20** One Fine Day (1996) **6.35** The Day After Tomorrow (2004) **9.00** Bad Neighbours (2014) **10.50** Willow Creek (2013) **12.25** Troll Hunter (2010) **2.30** Rec 3: Genesis (2012) **4.00** Close

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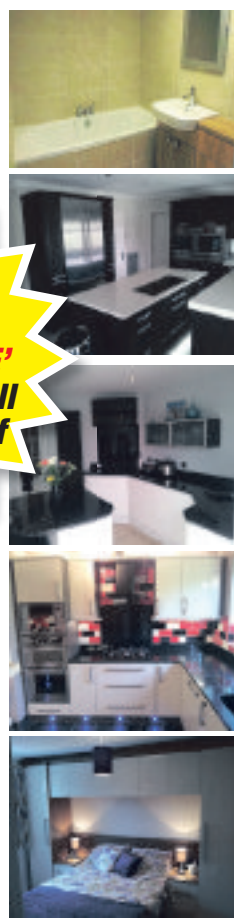
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CHOICE



Keeley Hawes

**Line of Duty (BBC1, 9pm)**  
It's the time when the likes of Call the Midwife, Heartbeat, Where the Heart Is and other such rose-tinted shows have been broadcast, and The Durrells now falls firmly into that bracket. Simon Nye of Men Behaving Badly fame, is behind this hit revival on ITV. "I've written TV series that have been greeted by bafflement, critical vitriol or – worst of all – nothing more than the rustle of tumbleweed," he reveals. "Thank you therefore to everyone, on both sides of the Atlantic, who responded so warmly to the first series of The Durrells last year" This week, Larry is overjoyed at the prospect of his first novel being published back home in England; it's a shame that nobody else seems as thrilled.

BBC1

**6.00** Breakfast. **7.50** Match of the Day, (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Regional Programme. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News: Weather. **1.15** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **2.15** Wanted Down Under. **3.15** Flog It! (R) **4.05** Points of View. **4.20** Escape to the Country. (R) **5.05** Songs of Praise. **5.40** Pointless Celebrities. (R)  
**6.30** **BBC News.**  
**6.50** **Regional Programme.**  
**7.00** **Countryfile.** Ellie Harrison visits Warwickshire for Hedgehog Awareness Week, and meets three girls who have set up a rehab centre for the animals. Steve Brown meets local volunteers trying to preserve wildlife along the river Tame and its floodplain, and John Craven visits a nature reserve that doubles as a burial ground. Adam Henson meets a farming family in Cumbria and Tom Heap explores Scotland's salmon industry.  
**8.00** **Antiques Roadshow.** The roving team values more decorative objects and rarities belonging to the public.  
**9.00** **Line of Duty.** Nick faces lengthy questioning before being charged with Tim Field's murder. The AC-12 team is convinced Roz was also involved, but with Hastings coming under pressure from Hilton, the detectives are running out of time to prove their theory, and are forced to risk everything to bring the guilty parties to justice. Last in the series.  
**10.00** **BBC News.**  
**10.20** **Regional Programme.**  
**10.30** **Match of the Day.** Mark Chapman reviews the day's Premier League action, which featured Tottenham Hotspur v Arsenal, Everton v Chelsea, Manchester United v Swansea City and Middlesbrough v Manchester City. Spurs finally seem destined to finish above their north London rivals, and victory would be even sweeter as it would harm the Gunners' chances of a top-four finish.  
**11.50** **The Women's Football Show.** Elifkhan Barbour presents action from the latest FA WSL Spring Series fixtures, including Sunderland v Arsenal.  
**12.25** **Weather for the Week Ahead.**  
**12.30** **BBC News.**

BBC2

**6.30** A to Z of TV Gardening. (R) **7.15** Around the World in 80 Gardens. (R) **8.15** The Beechgrove Garden. (R) **8.50** Countryfile. (R) **9.45** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.15** Nigel Slater: Eating Together. (R) **11.45** Simply Nigella. (R) **12.15** MOTD2 Extra. **1.00** Athletics: World Relay Championship Highlights. **2.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. Hazel Irvine presents coverage of the opening session of the final at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, where the first eight frames of the match are scheduled to take place.  
**6.00** **Amazing Hotels: Life Beyond the Lobby.** Giles Coren and Monica Galetti join the staff working in some of the most unusual hotels around the world, learning the tricks of the trade. (R)  
**7.00** **Live Snooker: The World Championship.** Hazel Irvine presents all the action from the second session of the final at Sheffield's Crucible Theatre, where a further nine frames are scheduled to take place. The second session of last year's final saw Ding Junhui stage a fightback to trail Mark Selby by just one frame at 7-8, before the Jester from Leicester recovered to end the day with a 10-7 lead. The commentary team features five former world champions in Dennis Taylor, Steve Davis, John Parrott, Ken Doherty and Stephen Hendry, along with Willie Thorne and John Virgo.  
**11.00** **Film: Drive.** (2011) A stuntman who moonlights as a getaway driver tries to protect the wife and child of an imprisoned criminal. When the convict is released, the driver tries to convince him to give up his life of crime for his family's sake, but when they work together on a robbery, they end up drawn into a conflict with the Mafia. Crime drama, with Ryan Gosling, Carey Mulligan and Bryan Cranston.  
**12.35** **Sign Zone:** Question Time. David Dimbleby chairs the debate from Oxford, with a panel of politicians and other guests facing topical questions from the audience. (R) **1.35** **Holby City.** After uncovering a revelation from Matteo's past, he and Jac clash over a patient. Meanwhile, Sacha is not himself, but how long will he be able to keep Essie off the scent? Elsewhere, Ric cracks the whip on the Acute Assessment Unit floor, but a surprise visitor soon throws him off his game. (R) **2.30** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

**6.00** CITV: Bottom Knockout Street. **6.10** Bottom Knockout Street. (R) **6.25** Sooty. (R) **6.35** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **6.40** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.50** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **7.00** Outdoors. (R) **7.05** Marvel Avengers Assemble. (R) **7.30** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **7.55** NinjaGo: Masters of Spinjitzu. (R) **8.25** **ITV News.** **8.30** **Weekend.** **9.25** **Countrywise:** Guide to Britain. (R) **10.00** **Peston on Sunday.** **11.00** **Judge Rinder.** (R) **12.00** **ITV News: Weather.** **12.05** **Fishing Impossible.** (R) **12.35** **Who's Doing the Dishes?** (R) **1.35** **Tipping Point.** (R) **2.40** **Britain's Got Talent.** (R) **4.00** **Film: On Her Majesty's Secret Service.** (1969) James Bond adventure, starring George Lazenby.  
**6.35** **Regional Programme:** Weather. **6.45** **ITV News: Weather.**  
**7.00** **Bigheds.** Jason Manford hosts the comedy game show in which members of the public compete in a series of bizarre physical challenges while wearing giant model heads of David Beckham, Ed Sheeran, Taylor Swift, Prince Charles and Queen Victoria. They must dodge past giant bouncers to get into a nightclub, fight over microphones to record a single, and get away before the paparazzi see them. With commentary from Jenny Powell and Kriss Akabusi.  
**8.00** **The Durrells.** Larry's latest novel is being published – but nobody seems to be impressed. Leslie has an idea for a new business venture involving making liquor out of kumquats.  
**9.00** **Grantchester.** The villagers play a cricket match against nearby Whitteford, but after an incident involving contaminated beer, one batsman is found poisoned. Guest starring Peter Davison.  
**10.00** **ITV News: Weather.**  
**10.20** **Lethal Weapon.** The festive holiday season goes heavily on Riggs, who flashes back to past Christmases with his late wife Miranda. Clayne Crawford stars. (R)  
**11.20** **Premiership Rugby Union.** Highlights of the latest top-flight fixtures, which included Harlequins v Wasps, Bath v Gloucester and Exeter Chiefs v Northampton Saints.  
**12.15** **Peston on Sunday.** (R) **1.10** **Jackpot247.** **3.00** **Motorsport UK.** **3.50** **The Cube.** (R) **4.40** **ITV Nightscreen.** **5.05** **The Jeremy Kyle Show.** (R)

CHANNEL 4

**6.10** The King of Queens. (R) **6.35** The King of Queens. (R) **7.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.55** Frasier. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Sunday Brunch. **12.00** Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix Live Build-Up. Previewing the fourth round of the season. **12.35** Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix Live. Coverage of the fourth round of the season (Start-time 1.00pm). **3.10** Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix Live Reaction. A review of the fourth round of the season. **4.30** World's Most Expensive Cars. **5.35** Channel 4 News.  
**6.05** **George Clarke's Old House, New Home.** George visits a Grade-II listed worker's cottage in Hampshire, as his mission to future-proof historic houses continues. Due to restrictions on planning permissions, the property has become somewhat disorganised, and is in need of a careful makeover. Seeking inspiration, George tours a Victorian stable that was renovated to add a gym, cinema and roof garden.  
**7.00** **Escape to Costa Rica.** New series. Science writer Gaia Vince explores the island, which is the most sustainable nation in the world, home to over 500,000 species of animal and with a national grid run on rivers and volcanoes that is due to be completely carbon neutral by 2021. She meets the republic's president, who explains his environmental policies, and joins a team of scientists hoping to preserve the island's forests and wildlife.  
**8.00** **Film: Transformers: Dark of the Moon.** (2011) The heroic autobots discover that a spaceship from their own planet crashed into the moon decades ago, carrying their former leader and an incredibly powerful device. They must fight to defend the human race as their enemies the decepticons plot to use this machine to rebuild their own world and destroy the Earth. Sci-fi adventure sequel, with Shia LaBeouf, Josh Duhamel and Rosie Huntington-Whiteley.  
**11.00** **Gogglebox.** Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (R)  
**12.05** **Film: Mud.** (2012) **2.25** **KOTV Boxing Weekly.** **2.50** **Gillette World Sport.** **3.15** **Shipping Wars UK.** (R) **3.40** **Building the Dream.** **4.35** **Location, Location.** (R) **5.30** **Four in a Bed.** (R)

CHANNEL 5

**6.00** Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Peppa Pig. (R) **6.10** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **6.15** Paw Patrol. (R) **6.30** Bob the Builder. (R) **6.40** Fireman Sam. (R) **6.50** Oily the Little White Van. **7.00** Oily the Little White Van. **7.10** Paw Patrol. (R) **7.25** Blaze and the Monster Machines. **7.50** Noddy: Toyland Detective. (R) **8.10** Wissper. (R) **8.20** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **8.55** Football on 5: The Championship. (R) **9.45** Football on 5: Goal Rush. (R) **10.00** Great Birmingham 10K. Live coverage of the race. **12.00** **Film: Getting Even with Dad.** (1994) Family comedy, starring Macaulay Culkin and Ted Danson. **2.00** **Film: Three Men and a Little Lady.** (1990) Comedy sequel, starring Tom Selleck. **4.00** **Film: Housesetter.** (1992) Romantic comedy, starring Steve Martin and Goldie Hawn.  
**6.00** **Film: Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves.** (1991) An English nobleman returns home from the crusades to find his father has been murdered and the local people are oppressed by the tyrannical rule of the Sheriff of Nottingham. Branded an outlaw, he recruits a group of bandits to fight for justice and protect the downtrodden. Action adventure, starring Kevin Costner, Alan Rickman, Morgan Freeman and Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio. Edited for daytime broadcast.  
**8.55** **5 News Weekend.**  
**9.00** **Greatest Ever 90s Movies.** Patsy Kensit presents a countdown of some of the most memorable films from the last decade of the 20th century, including Titanic and Footloose. (R)  
**11.50** **Film: On 5: Goal Rush.** Action from the final fixtures of the regular season in League One, including Southend United v Bury, Bristol Rovers v Millwall and Gillingham v Fleetwood Town.  
**12.35** **Criminals: Caught on Camera.** The use of CCTV to help police catch reckless and dangerous drivers. (R) **1.00** SuperCasino. Viewers get the chance to take part in live interactive gaming, with a mix of roulette-wheel spins and lively chat from the presenting team. **3.10** **Film: Charade.** (1963) A distraught widow is pursued by her husband's killers, who have linked her to a missing haul of money. Romantic thriller, starring Audrey Hepburn, Cary Grant and Walter Matthau. **5.00** **House Doctor.** (R) **5.25** **Wildlife SOS.** The work of a wildlife sanctuary. (R) **5.50** **Roary the Racing Car.** Hattie makes an emergency landing. (R)

DIGITAL

**BBC Four**  
**7.00** The Birth of British Music **8.00** The Secret Life of the Motorway **9.00** Horizon: Dancing in the Dark – The End of Physics? **10.00** Trump's First 100 Days **11.00** Being Evel Knievel: Storyville **12.30** The BBC at War **1.30** Metamorphosis – The Science of Change **2.30** Horizon: Dancing in the Dark – The End of Physics? **3.30** Close  
**ITV2**  
**11.25** Take Me Out **12.40** Catchphrase **1.20** You've Been Framed! Goes Wild! **2.25** **Film: Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium** (2007) **4.15** Britain's Got Talent **5.40** Britain's Got More Talent **6.45** **Film: Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (2005) **9.00** Take Me Out – The Gossip **10.00** Family Guy **11.30** American Dad! **12.25** The Cleveland Show **1.25** The Vampire Diaries **2.10** Fleur East: The Hot Desk **2.20** Teleshopping **5.50** **ITV2 Nightscreen**  
**ITV3**  
**11.40** **Film: Forever Young** (1992) **12.40** **FYI Daily** **12.45** **Film: Forever Young** (1992) **1.40** A Touch of Frost **3.50** **Foyle's War** **5.55** **Midsomer Murders** **8.00** **Royal Stories** **9.00** Prince Harry in Africa **10.00** Law & Order: UK **12.05** **Wire in the Blood** **2.00** **Lewis** **3.40** **May the Best Horse Win** **5.20** **In Loving Memory** **5.45** **ITV3 Nightscreen**  
**ITV4**  
**11.25** **Cycling** **12.00** **Cycling: Tour de Yorkshire Live.** The third and final stage. **5.30** **Pawn Stars** **5.55** **The Chase** **Celebrity Special** **7.00** **Cycling: Tour de Yorkshire** **8.00** **Premiership Rugby Union** **9.00** **Car Wars** **10.05** **Film: Beetlejuice** (1988) **12.00** **River Monsters** **2.05** **Fifth Gear** **2.55** **ITV4 Nightscreen** **3.00** **Teleshopping**  
**E4**  
**11.00** **The Goldbergs** **12.30** **Black-ish** **1.00** **Baby Daddy** **1.30** **Kevin Can Wait** **2.00** **Brooklyn Nine-Nine** **2.30** **New Girl** **3.00** **Film: The Net** (1995) **5.15** **Rude(ish)** **Tube Shorts** **5.30** **The Big Bang Theory** **9.00** **Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** **10.00** **Tattoo Fixers** **12.05** **E4's** **Tattoo Artist of the Year** **1.05** **Celebrity First Dates** **2.10** **Naked Attraction** **3.05** **Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** **3.50** **Hollyoaks**  
**Film4**  
**11.00** **Hercules** (1983) **1.00** **Song of the Sea** (2014) **2.50** **Dr Sauss' The Lorax** (2012) **4.30** **Short Circuit** (1986) **6.35** **Mrs Doubtfire** (1993) **9.00** **Now You See Me** (2013) **11.15** **The Taking of Pelham 123** (2009) **1.20** **The Player** (1992) **3.55** **Close**

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FILM CHOICES

MONDAY

**Saving Mr Banks, BBC1, 8.30pm**  
Walt Disney becomes determined to adapt Mary Poppins into a film, but faces an obstacle in the shape of author PL Travers, who resists the idea of a sentimental Hollywood version of her book. Fact-based drama, with Emma Thompson, Tom Hanks, Paul Giamatti and Colin Farrell. (2013)

TUESDAY

**A Walk Among the Tombstones, Channel 5, 9pm**  
An ex cop working as an unlicensed private eye is hired by a drug trafficker to find the men who murdered his wife. Crime thriller based on Lawrence Sanders' novel, starring Liam Neeson. (2014)

WEDNESDAY

**The Bling Ring, Channel 4, 1.55am**  
Five teenagers united by an obsession with celebrity steal from the houses of the rich and famous stars they idolise, using the internet to follow their targets' movements. When the police finally catch up with them, the arrest brings a taste of the fame they have craved. Fact-based drama, starring Emma Watson and Israel Broussard. (2013)



Saving Mr Banks, Monday, BBC1, 8.30pm

FRIDAY

**It's Complicated, Channel 5, 10pm**  
Divorced couple Jane and Jake are reunited at their son's college graduation after 10 years apart, and end up sleeping together. Despite Jake's marriage to a younger woman and Jane's fledgling romance with a kindly architect, the pair end up having a clandestine affair. Romantic comedy, starring Meryl Streep, Alec Baldwin, Steve Martin, John Krasinski, Lake Bell, Mary Kay Place, Rita Wilson and Alexandra Wentworth. (2009)  
**American Gangster, ITV, 10.40pm**  
The story of 1970s drug kingpin Frank Lucas, whose innovative methods of smuggling heroin into the US made him one of the leading figures in the New York underworld. A detective is assigned to bring Lucas's empire down, but his investigation is undermined by police corruption. Ridley Scott's fact-based crime drama, starring Denzel Washington, Russell Crowe, Chiwetel Ejiofor and Josh Brolin. (2007)

# Kayvan promises '100 per cent real news guaranteed'

As the Fonejacker and Facejacker, Kayvan Novak became known as the man of a thousand voices.

His masterful characters including call centre anti-hero Mr Internet Service Providings, cockney geezer Terry Tibbs and polite Ugandan scammer Augustus Kwembe showed off his remarkable ability to create a range of different characters.

However, Novak is also very versatile and his acting CV includes everything from Oscar-winning thriller Syriana, an acclaimed performance in the 2010 controversial cult comedy Four Lions and voicing Brains in the Thunderbirds Are Go re-boot.

You may have also seen him as a smooth-talking face of bookie's complaints department and in the 2015 BBC Four sitcom Asylum which was inspired by Julian Assange's two-year stay in the Ecuadorian embassy.

And the 38-year-old British Iranian is back on familiar territory with new

satirical series Britain Today Tonight in which he plays a variety of roles at the fictional Channel 9Nine News Network.

The show has been made by Peep Show creators Objective Productions, with Channel 4 describing the format as "a spoof tabloid news show" that shines a light on contemporary Britain and promises "100 per cent real news guaranteed".

And make no mistake, with Novak playing the part of prize-winning American host Douglas 'Digger' Daley, the reporters and even some of the subjects of the reports – this is the 'news' as you have never seen it before.

Britain Today Tonight features brand-new specially created characters, and just like Fonejacker and Facejacker it will see the Baffa-winning comedian causing havoc on the streets of Britain.

Channel 4 explains: "He'll be disguising himself as a range of weird and wonderful personalities in order to perform a range of hidden

camera hits on celebrities and politicians, as well as winding up the public at large.

"With Kayvan at the centre of every 'news report', this is the hardest-hitting, most sensational, and most importantly, funniest news show ever seen. Probably."

The six-part series kicks off with a double bill tonight as 'Digger' Daley and the team lift the lid on what's happening in Great Britain and the rest of the world.

Security correspondent Jon Donovan lets his imagination run wild as he goes to Essex and Tooting, south London, to get to grips with exactly how British shopkeepers are guarding against a terrorist attack.

Plus, lifestyle reporter Mandi Manners tries to quit smoking and a debate ensues between a licensed black cabbie and an Uber driver.

Finally, entertainment correspondent Mike Armenian follows the auditions for the lead role of gay England football captain Mark Curridge.



Kayvan Novak stars in Britain Today Tonight, Friday, Channel 4, 10pm

# BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY

**The Island with Bear Grylls, Channel 4, 9pm**

With old and young now living side by side, the islanders are hoping to hit their stride, but the lack of food is an ever-pressing concern and tempers are fraying. Jordan is feeling out of sorts and then has a fight with Richie, while the members of the group are furious when Phil uses some olive oil to boost the fire rather than for food.

**Little Boy Blue, ITV, 9pm**

Family and friends attend the funeral of 11-year-old Rhys Jones is laid to rest, while a police raid at the home of Kevin Moody leads to the recovery of the gun used in the schoolboy's murder. Moody must choose between being labelled a grass and risking violent retribution or protecting the killer and facing jail time. But an unexpected result from the forensic tests on the firearm leaves the entire investigation hanging in the balance. .

TUESDAY

**Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Animals – India, ITV, 9pm**

The presenter concludes his Indian adventure with a trip to Assam, which is most famous for its tea but

is also important for wildlife – it's home to Kaziranga National Park. Paul pitches in at an animal rescue centre, where he finds himself helping to look after eight elephant calves. He also heads to a local village to learn more about how the residents and animals live side by side – and tries his hand at goat herding. Then it's on to Northern India and a rescue centre that specialises in caring for sloth bears. Paul is put on porridge duty, and discovers the animals do have a real taste for it. In fact, the job keeps him so busy he might not even have time to make it to the Taj Mahal before sunset, but there are still plenty of others sights to see when he goes out on wildlife emergency call, and is faced with a huge python.

WEDNESDAY

**Madeleine McCann: 10 Years On, BBC1, 9pm**

British toddler Madeleine McCann's disappearance 10 years ago from a holiday apartment in the resort in the Algarve region of Portugal has been investigated by police forces in two different countries – but they came up with contradictory conclusions. So what really happened to the three-year-old in Praia da Luz on the night of

May 3, 2007? Reporter Richard Bilton – who has covered the story for the BBC since the first days – examines the evidence and tracks down the men British police have questioned about the case.

THURSDAY

**Mind the Age Gap, Channel 5, 10pm**

With society apparently more divided than ever, 12 volunteers from two different generations attempt to bridge the gap. In this five-part series, no topic will be left untouched, but can a willingness to understand each other end positively or will it just open more questions about today's society? During the first dinner, an attempt at getting to know each other triggers uncomfortable debates. Tension is in the air, and gay marriage is the first topic that divides old from young. While the older group is keen to debate, the younger ones, including Naman and Jed, sense an opportunity to



Madeleine McCann: 10 Years On, Wednesday, BBC1, 9pm

party. Then, an innocent game of Guess the Celebrity quickly turns into a raging debate about the EU, in which members of all ages clash.

FRIDAY

**Versailles, BBC2, 9pm**

Princess Palatine gets a cold reception in the bed of her new husband Philippe following their marriage celebration. Meanwhile, young Sophie learns her destiny lies in an even crueler match – by order of King Louis. Elsewhere, Bontemps spots misbehaviour that suggests a new prime suspect for the poisonings to Marchal and a remark by medic Claudine echoing an earlier comment, clarifies the case. Period drama, starring George Blagden, Jessica Clark and Lizzie Brochere.

**Hospital People, BBC1, 9.30pm**

Viewers of a certain age will recall Only When I Laugh, the ITV sitcom which left millions in stitches in the 1980s. Now this similar show is also doing a good job of tickling the funnybone. In this offering, a benevolent local businessman seeks treatment in Brimlington Hospital – much to manager Susan Mitchell's delight. The cast includes Mark Williams, Janine Duviski and Tom Binns.



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# BRAIN GYM

No.427

## Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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## Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

### Cryptic Clues:

- Across**
- Soldier in the nursery? (11)
  - Bill speaking well? (7)
  - Useful quality in the manner laid down (5)
  - Spartan slave emerges from hotel (5)
  - Passage taken straight from pamphlet (7)
  - Sector guard (6)
  - Change of backbone is plan (6)
  - E.g. lanes in Africa (7)
  - Kenneth is to receive the souvenir (5)
  - Public voter (5)
  - Was seen about in this place since (7)
  - Relate empty reforms in moderation (11)
- Down**
- Fresh fiction (5)
  - He can look down easily on lots of people (7)
  - Almost No 1 amongst ancient cities (6)
  - Still about since a fermenting agent (5)
  - Don't touch sailor with a blemish (7)
  - Strained atmosphere while flying (4,7)
  - Dignity of ranks in countries (11)
  - Yield on one occasion in three consecutive letters (7)
  - The condition of the sufferer under treatment? (7)
  - Blooming river? (6)
  - Rise to such costume (3-2)
  - Get down to service instruction (5)

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### Quick Clues:

- Across**
- Knowledge (11)
  - Withdrawal (7)
  - Allude (5)
  - Flanks (5)
  - In name only (7)
  - Selected (6)
  - Calculate (6)
  - Treachery (7)
  - Consumed (5)
  - Speechify (5)
  - Speedy (7)
  - Informal (4,3,4)
- Down**
- Well known (5)
  - Superintend (7)
  - Revolt (6)
  - To drum (5)
  - Umbrage (7)
  - Suing (11)
  - Simplicity (11)
  - Outside (4-3)
  - Spire (7)
  - Invisible (6)
  - Riddle (5)
  - Lock of hair (5)

## Sudoku

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Fill in the grid above so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

5	7	9	3	1	2	4	8	6
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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:

CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Keep left; 5 Cord; 9 Able; 10 Strikers; 11 Order; 12 Ragtime; 13 For the present; 18 Face card; 19 Avid; 20 Examine; 21 Fishy; 22 Some; 23 Standard. Down: 2 Embargo; 3 Pretext; 4 Future perfect; 6 One-time; 7 Dissect; 8 Single; 13 Forgers; 14 Reclaim; 15 Hectic; 16 Seabird; 17 Neither.

QUICK - Across: 1 Peculiar; 5 Fair; 9 Menu; 10 Appeared; 11 Minus; 12 Embroid; 13 Fellow-feeling; 18 Outright; 19 City; 20 Derange; 21 Snubs; 22 Dull; 23 Reviewer.

Down: 2 Eremitic; 3 Unusual; 4 Apple of the eye; 6 A priori; 7 Red flag; 8 Feeble; 13 Flooded; 14 Literal; 15 Orient; 16 Licence; 17 Notable.

## Quiz

- What do we call an invertebrate whose body is divided into head, thorax and abdomen?
- In which country did the mazurka originate?
- Which late comedian jokingly insulted Prince Charles at the British Comedy Awards?
- Which colonel administrator was responsible for the acquisition and foundation of Singapore?
- By what other name is Israel's Lake Tiberias known?
- Who was the first monk to become archbishop of Westminster?
- Who wrote the novel Flamingo Feather in 1955?
- Which volcano buried Pompeii in AD 79?
- Whose father was Robert I, known as The Devil?
- In which city is Romeo and Juliet set?

### Last week's solutions:

**Quiz:** 1 Hardness of minerals; 2 Painting and Illustration; 3 Cider; 4 Lillie Langtry; 5 Duisburg; 6 Algae; 7 Unification Church; 8 Hart to Hart; 9 Milton Obote; 10 Arctic.

**Niner:** BOARDINGS

## Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

73921  
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gives an animal,  
gives a second animal,  
gives birds.

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# Peri cool place for lunch

It's a popular high street chain and Wolverhampton Nando's has had a revamp. EMILY BRIDGEWATER checks it out

**MEDIUM, hot, or extra hot? How spicy do you like your Nando's? How hot?**

If the sub-zero temperature in Wolverhampton's revamped branch of Nando's was anything to go by, at the time we visited, then it's extra hot all the way. My two pals and I visited the popular Afro-Portuguese chain one lunchtime, shortly after it had reopened following a month-long refurb.

They've done a good job; the restaurant has been opened out and new fixtures and fittings have given its slightly tired interior a fresh lease of life. But the first thing we all comment on is the temperature – it's colder in than out. We are however, warmly greeted by a friendly member of staff who offers us a choice of tables.

## Options

And so to the menu, which everyone knows features predominately chicken plus a handful of other options for veggies and the likes.

There was talk of salads but all good intentions were thrown out and we opted for burgers, pittas and plenty of sides.

The man among us plumped for the butterfly chicken, while my friend and I sidelined the chook in favour of beanie burgers.

Orders are placed at the counter – the same guy serves me as showed us to our table, and he's as breezy and friendly as when we arrived. Full marks for pleasant staff.

Starters included hounous with peri peri drizzle and warm pitta bread strips and a trio of chicken wings spiced to your liking. Meanwhile, the main courses feature all manner of chicken dishes, from burgers to the whole she-



Nice 'n' spicy – how hot do you like your chicken at Nando's? Here it's served with spicy rice and a side salad



The newly-revamped Nando's in Queen Street, Wolverhampton

bang, as well as a fillet steak wrap for those who the lure of red meat is too great, and salads for those 'trying to be good'.

We start with gigantic olives and some spicy nuts although unfortunately my friend finds a hair in the latter. Add three refillable drinks and some good conversation and we're kept busy enough until our main courses arrive. The olives were fairly plump and juicy, and the nuts – a pleasing mix of cashews, almonds and macadamias – well-seasoned and moreish.

The double butterfly chicken drenched in hot sauce looked appetising, as did the two beanie burgers (both medium hot) in pitta breads, packed with crunchy shredded cabbage and carrot. Three spicy chicken wings plus sides including macho peas, coleslaw, chips, mixed salad, corn on the cob and a supergrain salad, and we tucked in with gusto.

My beanie patty in a pitta, topped with haloumi, filled a hole without being something particularly memorable. The burger fea-

tures chickpeas, sweetcorn, lentils, peas and pumpkin seeds, bound together with Cheddar cheese, although none of the ingredients particularly stood out. It all seemed a bit of a bland mush. The salad was fresh and the cheese griddled to perfection.

The chicken muncher was also underwhelmed, commenting that his bird was a bit dry. The same goes for the chicken wings, he said, mournfully. Side dishes were hits and misses. We all agreed the supergrain salad

with grains, greens, beans and an avocado and buttermilk dressing. We also liked the minty, chilli-spiked macho peas.

We managed to munch through most of it and we were left stuffed and unable to face desert despite tantalising options such as a traditional Portuguese custard tart (natas), salted caramel brownies and carrot cake.

The bill came in at £50.85 including three refillable soft drinks, which seemed reasonable for the sheer volume of food.

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Its accommodation includes a side porch, reception hall, an L-shaped lounge/dining area, a kitchen, garden room, three bedrooms, a part tiled bathroom, a built-on garage, full double glazing and well stocked gardens.

In more detail the reception hall has oak block flooring and a retractable ladder to the loft.

The L-shaped lounge/dining area has a feature fire surround with a marble hearth and an inset gas fire and a sliding patio access door. The dining area has oak block flooring.

Incorporating base units and laminate working surfaces, the kitchen has a stainless steel sink having mixer taps, plumbing for an automatic washing machine and dishwasher, an electric extractor fan, ceramic tiled flooring and a door to the garden room.

This has a door to the garage and doors to the front and rear.

Bedroom one has a built-in wardrobe having sliding mirror doors and there are two further bedrooms.

The part-tiled bathroom has a suite incorporating a panelled bath having shower mixer taps and a shower screen over, pedestal hand basin, low flush WC, a chrome heated towel rail and an extractor fan.

Outside, the built-on garage has a fluorescent light fitting and power points.

The property occupies well stocked gardens. These include numerous ornamental trees and shrubs, lawns, paved paths and a patio and gravelled areas. The rear garden is enclosed with close board fencing. There is a side paved/gated pedestrian access and the property is approached via a block paviour driveway.

The selling agents are expecting a lot of interest to be shown.

CANNOCK £249,950



### TO VIEW THIS PROPERTY

AGENT: Boot & Son

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### KEY FEATURES

Detached bungalow

Deceptively spacious

3 bedrooms

Cul-de-sac location

No chain



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## Green Heath Road HEDNESFORD



Charming three bedroom character property / Spacious reception rooms and bedrooms / Double garage-workshop plus driveway / Stylish modern re-fitted kitchen and re-fitted bathroom

£210,000

## Rudyard Way BRIDGTOWN



Well presented three bedroom semi detached house / Spacious lounge-diner / Modern fitted kitchen / Good sized bedrooms / Private rear garden / NHBC guarantee / Integral garage & off road parking

£210,000

## Grange Road NORTON CANES



Three bedroom semi detached house / Quiet cul-de-sac / Short walk away from Chasewater / Spacious living and sleeping accommodation / Open plan kitchen-diner

£190,000

## Langtree Close HEATH HAYES



Two bedroom detached bungalow / quiet cul-de-sac / NO ONWARD CHAIN / quiet cul-de-sac / two double bedrooms / Detached garage / Good sized rubber mac driveway with parking for

Offers in Excess of £185,000

## Chapel Street HEATH HAYES



Deceptively spacious five bedroom semi-detached house / Set over three floors / Large plot / Double garage / Spacious reception rooms

£185,000

## Walsall Road GREAT WYRLEY



Traditional three bedroom semi detached house / NO ONWARD CHAIN & VACANT POSSESSION / Set back from main road / Good sized front lawn & four car driveway / Extended breakfast kitchen to rear

£180,000

## Strauss Drive HEATH HAYES



Well presented three storey town house / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation / Modern fitted kitchen & bathroom / Victorian conservatory / Private rear garden / Driveway, providing off road

Offers in Excess of £180,000

## Holly Lane GREAT WYRLEY



Well presented three bedroom family home / Spacious dining kitchen / Modern conservatory with under floor heating / Good sized bedrooms / Private rear garden / Driveway with parking for three

Offers in Excess of £180,000

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**Glenthorne Drive**  
GREAT WYRLEY

Three bedroom semi detached house / Open plan lounge-diner / Fitted kitchen with separate breakfast room / Modern conservatory / Good sized private landscaped rear garden / Integral garage & Offers in the Region Of £176,000



**Somerset Avenue**  
RUGELEY

Immaculately presented three bedroom semi detached house / Tastefully decorated and finished to a high standard / Welcoming reception hallway / Superb new fitted modern kitchen



**Red Lion Avenue**  
NORTON CANES

Well presented three bedroom semi detached house / Situated at the end of quiet cul-de-sac / Private rear garden / NO ONWARD CHAIN



**Windsor Close**  
RUGELEY

Well presented three bedroom town house / Set over three floors / Three double bedrooms / Two separate bathrooms / Good sized open plan lounge-diner / Private rear garden / Parking for two vehicles



**Harrow Close**  
BRERETON

Three bedroom detached house / Modern fitted kitchen & bathroom / NHBC guarantee with 3-4 years remaining / Tastefully decorated lounge-diner,



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£300,000	£6,480	£2,860	£3,630
£500,000	£10,800	£4,760	£6,050

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**Albert Street**  
CHADSMOOR

Well presented traditional one bedroom bungalow / Large rear garden / New carpets throughout / Modern fitted kitchen and bathroom / Spacious lounge and double bedroom /



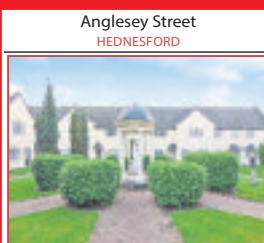
**Station Street**  
CHESLYN HAY

Two bedroom end terrace house / Two spacious reception rooms / Modern fitted shower room / Good sized & charming private rear garden / Cellar



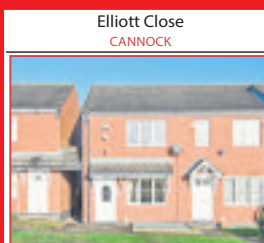
**Pheasant Way**  
HEATH HAYES

Modern sought after development / Modern fitted kitchen & bathroom / Two double bedrooms / Spacious lounge-diner / Off road allocated parking



**Anglesey Street**  
HEDNESFORD

Two Bedroom End Terrace House / Stunning Communal Gardens / Exclusive Private Mews Development / Spacious Living & Sleeping Accommodation / Modern Kitchen & Bathroom



**Elliott Close**  
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Two bedroom end terrace house / Newly fitted kitchen / Spacious lounge / Private rear garden / Allocated parking



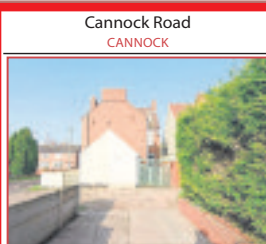
**Hindley View**  
RUGELEY

Unique & Immaculately Presented Two Bedroom First Floor Duplex Apartment / Exclusive Private Development / Finished To A Good Modern Standard / Open Plan Dining Kitchen



**Bank Street**  
HEATH HAYES

Two bedroom end terrace house / Modern fitted kitchen and bathroom / Private rear garden / Two good sized reception rooms



**Cannock Road**  
CANNOCK

Well presented two bedroom traditional semi detached house / Two double bedrooms / Generous rear garden with parking for up to three vehicles / Rear courtyard area / Storage outbuildings



**Apple Walk**  
HEATH HAYES

Mid terrace one bedroom house / Situated near to the local nature reserve / Open plan living area / Private front garden and off road parking



**Barnard Way**  
CANNOCK

Two bedroom ground floor maisonette / Exciting investment opportunity / Available with a sitting tenant / Rental income of £500 PCM



**Longacres**  
HEDNESFORD

Well presented one bedroom first floor maisonette / Modern fitted kitchen & bathroom / Off road parking for one vehicle / Garage for storage / Ideal for first time buyers & investors



**Park Road**  
TOWN CENTRE - CANNOCK

Second floor apartment / NO ONWARD CHAIN / Ideal for first time buyers / Allocated parking for one vehicle / EPC: C



**Sandpiper Close**  
HEDNESFORD

One bedroom ground floor maisonette / Quiet cul-de-sac / Modern fitted kitchen / Allocated parking space



**Brooklyn Road**  
HEATH HAYES

One bedroom first floor maisonette / Ideal for first time buyers or investors / Very low ground rent, Insurance & maintenance rates / New carpets and new windows



**Arran Close**  
CANNOCK

Two bedroom ground floor apartment / Property is being sold with a sitting tenant / Rental income of £495 PCM / Exciting investment opportunity / Spacious lounge



**Bevan Lee Road**  
CANNOCK

Commercial property; an exciting retail opportunity / Previously a convenience store / Can also be used as hair dresser or pet groomers



**Heath Way**  
HEATH HAYES

Two bedroom ground floor apartment / NO ONWARD CHAIN / 50% share / Lounge, kitchen and bathroom / One allocated parking space / EPC: B



**Violet Close**  
HUNTINGTON

NO ONWARD CHAIN / Modern two bedroom second floor apartment / Ideal for first time buyers / Spacious lounge-diner / Off road allocated parking / 40% shared ownership



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Offers Over £70,000

Second Floor Apartment	Refurbished
Two Double Bedrooms	Parking
Lounge / Diner	EPC E

**Beverley Hill, Hednesford**



Offers Around £115,000

Semi Detached Property	Lounge
Two Bedrooms	Rear Garden
Kitchen	EPC D



**Peregrine Way, Cannock**



Offers Around £170,000

Well Presented Family Home	En Suite
Three Bedrooms	Garage
Lounge	EPC C

## Wolverhampton Road, Cheslyn Hay

Detached Bungalow  
Two Bedrooms  
Newly Fitted Kitchen  
Front and Rear Gardens  
Garage  
EPC D

Offers Around  
£240,000

## Pye Green Road, Cannock

**NEW**




Detached Bungalow  
Three Double Bedrooms  
Modern Kitchen  
Extensive Garden  
Garage  
EPC D

Offers Around  
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Detached Family Home  
Entrance Hall  
Five Bedrooms  
Lounge  
Kitchen

Downstairs Shower Room  
Utility Room  
Rear Garden  
Integral Garage  
Ample Driveway  
EPC D

Offers Around £215,000

## Main Road, Great Haywood

**REDUCED**

End Terrace Cottage  
Two Bedrooms  
Re Fitted Kitchen  
Lounge  
Courtyard  
EPC E

Offers Around  
£167,000

**Earlswood Way, Cannock**



Offers Around £95,000

Third Floor Flat	Wet Floor Shower Room
Two Bedrooms	75% Shared Ownership
Lounge	EPC C

**Horseshoe Drive, Cannock**



Offers Around £150,000

End Terrace Property	Lounge
Three Bedrooms	Allocated Parking
Kitchen	EPC C

**Littleworth Road, Cannock**

**NEW**



Offers Around £215,000

Family Home	Private Rear Garden
Three Double Bedrooms	Ample Parking
Modern Fitted Kitchen	EPC D

## Stanford Close, Penkridge

**NEW**




New Build Property  
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Lounge / Diner  
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£217,500

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Detached Property  
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Lounge  
Conservatory  
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EPC C

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Two properties offer an ideal chance to create a family home

RUGELEY  
£485,000

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Being sold as one house, but currently split into two semi-detached homes, this property in Etchinghill Road, Rugeley, is an ideal project or a family home.

It is for sale through JR Properties at £485,000 with no chain.

House A – to the left – has a porch, entrance hallway with stairs and storage, a guest cloakroom/WC, a lounge/dining room with a feature brick fireplace with an electric fire and patio doors to the rear garden and access to House B. There is also a breakfast kitchen, inner lobby, three bedrooms and a bathroom and garage.

House B has an entrance hallway, a lounge with sliding doors to the dining room, a kitchen, inner lobby, downstairs WC, two bedrooms and a shower room.

For further information call the agents on 01889 577731.



Attractively presented four-bedroomed house

RAWNSLEY  
£220,000

Attractively presented and well maintained, this four-bedroomed detached house in St George Drive, Rawnsley, is for sale through Chase Independent at £220,000.

It has an entrance porch, a lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, guest WC, four bedrooms, one en-suite, a family bathroom, garage and driveway and front and rear gardens. In more detail the entrance hall has stairs to the first floor, the lounge has a feature fireplace with a gas living flame fire. The kitchen has a gas hob, extractor fan over, electric oven, space for a fridge freezer, part wall tiling, tiled flooring and an under stairs storage cupboard.

The utility room has plumbing for washing machine and dishwasher, part wall tiling, tiled flooring, a door to a guest WC and a door to the rear garden.

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**New Road, Rugeley**

- FOUR BEDROOM
- DETACHED
- LOUNGE
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- MASTER WITH ENSUITE AND DRESSING ROOM

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Subject to Contract

**Shropshire Brook Road, Rugeley**

- SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME
- NEW KITCHEN
- TWO RECEPTION ROOMS
- OFFICE/PLAYROOM
- FOUR BEDROOMS
- BATHROOM
- EN-SUITE
- POPULAR LOCATION

**Woodbury Walk, Rugeley**

- NEW BUILD
- FURNISHED
- FOUR BEDROOMS
- DINING ROOM
- KITCHEN
- LOUNGE

**Park View Terrace, Rugeley**

- three bedroom
- lounge
- kitchen
- family bathroom
- rear garden
- off road parking
- gas central heating
- double glazed

**Rake End, Rugeley**

- four bedrooms
- three storey
- L shaped Kitchen
- Sitting room
- Bathroom
- garden
- off road parking

**Scholars Gate, Burntwood**

- THREE BEDROOMS
- DINING ROOM
- KITCHEN
- LOUNGE
- BATHROOM
- GARAGE
- TWO PARKING SPACES
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING

£225,000

**Monarchy Close, Rugeley**

- 4 BED DETACHED
- MODERN DESIGN
- LOUNGE/DINER
- BREAKFAST KITCHEN
- UTILITY
- ENSUITE
- CLOAKROOM
- GARAGE

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**Sheep Fair, Rugeley**

- FREEHOLD FLAT
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- LARGELY DOUBLE GLAZED

**Ravenhill Terrace,**

- DETACHED FAMILY HOME
- FOUR BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- OPEN PLAN DINING ROOM
- KITCHEN
- CONSERVATORY
- GARAGE
- OUTBUILDINGS

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**Shropshire Brook Road, Rugeley**

- THREE BEDROOM SEMI
- MODERN KITCHEN
- MODERN BATHROOM
- LOUNGE/DINER
- THREE GOOD BEDROOMS
- GARAGE
- GARDENS
- GAS CENTRAL HEATED

**Harley Close, Rugeley**

- FULLY REFURBISHED
- TWO BED BUNGALOW
- DETACHED GARAGE
- CORNER PLOT
- CONSERVATORY
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING
- UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING
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**Biddulph Park, Ironstone**

- ●●●●●●●●●●
- Goodchilds
- Park Home
- Two Bedrooms
- Living Room
- Dining Room
- Kitchen

£90,000

**Moss Green, Rugeley**

- three bedrooms
- lounge
- conservatory
- kitchen/diner
- rear garden
- paved driveway
- garage

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**Deepmore Close, Burton-On-Trent**

- TWO BEDROOMS
- PORCH ENTRANCE
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN
- SHOWER ROOM
- CONSERVATORY
- DETACHED GARAGE
- OFF ROAD PARKING

**SOLD**  
Subject to Contract

Offers in the Region Of £209,995

**St. Thomas Way, Rugeley**

- TWO BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN
- FAMILY BATHROOM
- GARDEN TO REAR
- ALLOCATED PARKING
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING
- DOUBLE GLAZED

**SOLD**  
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**Biddulph Park, Ironstone**

- CASH BUYERS
- IN NEED OF FULL REFURB
- ONE BEDROOM
- AGE RESTRICTED
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**Springhill Terrace, Rugeley**

- THREE BEDROOMS
- KITCHEN
- TWO BATHROOMS
- OPEN PLAN LOUNGE/DINER
- OFF ROAD PARKING
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING
- DOUBLE GLAZED
- GARDEN TO REAR

**SOLD**  
Subject to Contract

**Bracken Way, Rugeley**

- TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS
- SEMI DETACHED
- GARAGE
- MODERN KITCHEN
- MODERN BATHROOM
- GAS C. HEATED
- DOUBLE GLAZED
- GARDENS

**SOLD**  
Subject to Contract

**Moss Green, Rugeley**

- THREE BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE/DINER
- KITCHEN
- DOUBLE GLAZED
- GARAGE
- REAR GARDEN
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# Highly-rated family home is packed out with great features

WALSALL  
£350,000 <<<

In a highly regarded cul-de-sac location, this extended family home in Calthorpe Close, off Skip Lane, Walsall, is packed with the 'wow' factor.

It is for sale through Webbs at £350,000.

With generous and diverse accommodation, this deceptively spacious and lovingly maintained extended family home is also close to all local amenities and within an excellent school catchment area.

The accommodation briefly comprises an entrance hall, a through hallway, a lounge, a family room, a dining room, a conservatory, a kitchen and a guest WC. To the first floor there is three double bedrooms and a stunning refitted family bathroom.

Outside is a generous driveway and landscaped gardens.

Call 01922 663399.



# Detached bungalow in sought-after location

WALSALL  
£279,950

In a popular and much requested location near Stafford Road, Bloxwich, this splendid appointed extended detached bungalow in Lydford Road is for sale through Skitts at £279,950.

With gas central heating and double glazing, this lovely property includes an extended dining kitchen with integrated appliances, complemented by a fully tiled fitted bathroom with separate shower cubicle. There is also a tandem garage and off road parking to the front.

Briefly, the property has a reception hall with a built-in storage cupboard, a front facing lounge, a superb extended breakfast kitchen/diner, dining room with French doors to the garden and a utility room, two bedrooms with fitted wardrobes and a fully tiled bathroom with a white suite including a Jacuzzi bath.

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<p><b>HEDNESFORD</b> CROXLEY DRIVE</p> <p>4 BED</p> <p>Detached Lounge Dining Room Kitchen 4 Bedrooms Bathroom</p> <p>En Suite GCH &amp; DG Double Garage Rear Garden EPC Rating D</p> <p>£319,950</p>	<p><b>HEDNESFORD</b> BROMLEY CLOSE</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Semi Detached House Lounge Kitchen Diner 2 Bedrooms Bathroom</p> <p>Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Rear Garden Parking EPC Rating C</p> <p>£125,000</p>	<p><b>CANNOCK</b> CANNOCK ROAD</p> <p>3 BED</p> <p>Unfurnished Semi Detached House Lounge Kitchen 3 Bedrooms</p> <p>Bathroom GCH &amp; DG Rear Garden Parking EPC Rating C</p> <p>£625 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>HEATH HAYES</b> BADGERS WAY</p> <p>Unfurnished Detached Bungalow Lounge Kitchen Conservatory</p> <p>2 Bedrooms Bathroom GCH &amp; DG Rear Garden Garage EPC Rating D</p> <p>£595 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>WEDGES MILLS</b> THE MEADOWS</p> <p>Unfurnished Town House Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms Bathroom</p> <p>Guest WC GCH &amp; DG Rear Garden Parking EPC Rating C</p> <p>£575 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>CHURCHBRIDGE</b> FORGE CLOSE</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Unfurnished First Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms Bathroom</p> <p>En Suite Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating C</p> <p>£575 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>
<p><b>CHESLYN HAY</b> CROSS STREET</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Unfurnished Duplex Flat Lounge Dining Room Kitchen 2 Bedrooms</p> <p>Bathroom GCH &amp; DG Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating D</p> <p>£550 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>GREAT WYRLEY</b> ALPHA WAY</p> <p>REDUCED</p> <p>Unfurnished Terrace House Lounge Dining Room Kitchen 3 Bedrooms</p> <p>Bathroom GCH &amp; DG Rear Garden EPC Rating D</p> <p>£525 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>HEATH HAYES</b> DEAVALL WAY</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Unfurnished Semi Detached House Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms</p> <p>Bathroom Heating Double Glazing Garden Parking EPC Rating E</p> <p>£525 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>HEATH HAYES</b> HOLT CRESCENT</p> <p>Unfurnished Semi Detached House Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms</p> <p>Bathroom Heating Double Glazing Garden Parking EPC Rating E</p> <p>£525 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>GREAT WYRLEY</b> WALSALL ROAD</p> <p>Unfurnished First Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 3 Bedrooms Bathroom</p> <p>Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating D</p> <p>£525 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>CANNOCK</b> CHALFONT COURT</p> <p>REDUCED</p> <p>Unfurnished First Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms Bathroom</p> <p>Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating C</p> <p>£495 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>
<p><b>HEATH HAYES</b> CANNOCK ROAD</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Unfurnished First Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms Bathroom</p> <p>Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating C</p> <p>£495 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>CANNOCK</b> CEMETERY ROAD</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Unfurnished Terrace House Lounge Dining Room Kitchen 3 Bedrooms</p> <p>Bathroom Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Garden EPC Rating D</p> <p>£475 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>NORTON CANES</b> NORTON TERRACE</p> <p>Part Furnished Town House Lounge Kitchen Diner 1 Bedroom Bathroom</p> <p>Gas Central Heating Allocated Parking EPC Rating C</p> <p>£425 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>HEATH HAYES</b> HEDNESFORD ROAD</p> <p>Unfurnished First Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 3 Bedrooms Shower Room</p> <p>Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Garden EPC Rating D</p> <p>£390 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>WIMBLEBURY</b> HAMILTON CLOSE</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Unfurnished Ground Floor Flat Open Plan Lounge Kitchen 1 Bedroom Bathroom</p> <p>Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating D</p> <p>£360 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>	<p><b>HEDNESFORD</b> ST STEPHENS COURT</p> <p>NEW</p> <p>Unfurnished First Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 1 Bedroom Bathroom</p> <p>Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating D</p> <p>£350 pcm &amp; FEES - NO DSS</p>

OUR APPLICATION FEE IS £222 Including VAT or £318 Including VAT - DEPENDANT ON CIRCUMSTANCES



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#### HEDNESFORD ANGLESEY COURT



- First floor 1 bedroom apartment
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Modern bathroom
- Lounge, Study/Storage
- Garage, Allocated parking
- Good Location
- Intercom Entrance
- Must be Viewed
- EPC rating D

**£112,500**

#### HEDNESFORD SWALLOWFIELDS DRIVE



- A two bedroom bungalow
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, kitchen
- Master bedroom with built in wardrobes
- Refitted bathroom
- Conservatory
- Garden to rear
- Garage and driveway
- Awaiting EPC rating

**£159,950**

#### HEATH HAYES CHARLOCK GROVE



- Three bedroom detached
- Lounge, Conservatory
- Fitted Kitchen
- Fitted Bathroom
- Guest W/C
- Garage & Driveway
- Gas central heated
- NO CHAIN
- Awaiting EPC rating

**£209,995**

#### HEATH HAYES ACORN CLOSE



- A two bedroom end terraced house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, Refitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Front garden
- Off road parking
- Ideal first time buy
- Awaiting EPC rating

**£109,950**

#### CANNOCK WELLINGTON DRIVE



- Detached two bedroom bungalow
- Breakfast kitchen
- Lounge, entrance hallway
- Gas central heating/double glazed
- Family bathroom, loft room
- Garage with driveway
- Awaiting EPC rating
- Viewing Essential

**£259,995**

#### HEATH HAYES BADGERS COURT



- A two bedroom first floor apartment
- Heating and double glazing
- Lounge/diner
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Modern fitted bathroom
- Two bedrooms
- Allocated parking
- Ideal first time buy or investment
- EPC rating D

**Offers around £99,950**

#### CANNOCK OLD PENKRIDGE MEWS



- A well presented two bedroom house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, conservatory
- Kitchen, guest cloakroom
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Rear yard
- Of road parking
- EPC rating C

**£129,995**

#### CANNOCK ST JOHNS CLOSE



- An individual 4 bedroom detached
- New build, GCH/DG
- Lounge, Kitchen/diner
- Family bathroom
- Master bedroom with ensuite
- Enclosed rear garden
- Driveway to fore
- Cannock Centre location
- Viewing highly recommended

**£255,000**

#### CANNOCK VIOLET CLOSE



- Modern two bedroom apartment
- Lounge/diner
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Allocated parking
- Ideal first time buy
- EPC rating B

**£40,000 40% share**

#### HEATH HAYES PARTRIDGE CLOSE



- A modern two bedroom property
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, kitchen
- Family bathroom
- Two bedrooms
- Garden to rear
- Off road parking
- Ideal first time buy
- EPC rating C

**£134,995**

#### HEDNESFORD CHURCHILL



- A three bedroom bungalow
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge/diner
- Shower room
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Driveway
- Good sized rear garden
- Awaiting EPC rating

**£164,950**

#### WEDGES MILLS THE MEADOWS



- An executive 5 bedroom detached
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, Kitchen/diner
- Guest cloakroom, conservatory
- Two bedrooms with en suites
- Bathroom and shower room
- Garden to rear with open views
- Garage and driveway
- EPC rating C

**Offers In Excess of £360,000**

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## PROPERTY



## Well-presented detached has three bedrooms

**This well presented three-bedroomed detached house in Knight Road, Burntwood, is for sale through Lovett & Co at £180,000.**

Its stand-out features include a spacious open plan lounge-diner and modern fitted breakfast kitchen, an integral garage, driveway with parking for two/three vehicles and a private landscaped rear garden.

#### BURNTWOOD

**£180,000**

The property is well placed to take full advantage of local shopping facilities, together with a range of further facilities including a doctors surgery, superstore, good local schooling, library and excellent leisure facilities.

On the ground floor is a reception hallway, a lounge-diner, a fully fitted kitchen, a utility and a garage. On the top floor are three bedrooms and a family bathroom. The property has double glazing and central heating throughout.

**For further information, or to book a viewing, contact Lovett & Co on 01543 889410 or visit [www.lovettco.co.uk](http://www.lovettco.co.uk)**

## Detached home in an enviable position has a swimming pool

#### CANNOCK

**£625,000**

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**An executive traditional detached residence, Uxbridge House in Uxbridge Street, Cannock, lies in an enviable position just a short walk from Hednesford town centre and the local train station.**

It is for sale through butters john bee at £625,000.

The well-planned accommodation offers many stand-out features including a porch, reception hall, three reception rooms (sitting room, dining room, lounge), a kitchen/breakfast room, laundry room, guest cloakroom/WC, study, a covered swimming pool with a hot tub in the pool house, five bedrooms, an en-suite and shower room.

**Contact butters john bee on 01543 500030.**







# Modern and spacious family house located in popular area

PELSALL  
£224,950 <<<

A modern four-bedroom detached property in the popular area of Pelsall, 10 Wood Lane, has spacious accommodation throughout.

Also with gas central heating, double glazing, a garage and off road parking, it is for sale through Skitts at £224,950.

Ideal for a family, its spacious accommodation includes an entrance hall, a lounge with a feature fireplace and a gas fire, a bay window to the front and stairs off.

It also has an archway to a dining area with French-style doors to the rear garden.

The kitchen includes an integrated electric oven and a door to a utility room with plumbing and space for a washing machine and a door to the garden and a door to a downstairs WC. The master bedroom is en-suite.

Contact Skitts on 01902 631151 or visit [www.skitts.net](http://www.skitts.net)



# Immaculate home with excellent transport links

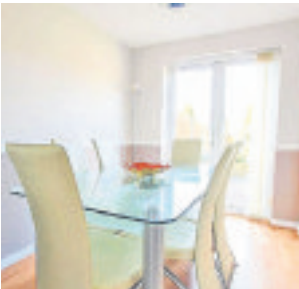
WALSALL WOOD  
£175,000

Built by Cameron Homes in 2014, this immaculately presented three-bedroom mid town house in Lichfield Road, Walsall Wood, is for sale through Goodchilds at £175,000.

A beautifully designed three-bedroom home located in a popular area, it is within easy access of local schools, shops and with excellent transport links to Walsall, Aldridge, Lichfield and the M6 Toll road.

Inside the property comprises of an entrance hall, a guest cloakroom, the main living area, a superb kitchen/diner with three bedrooms, an en-suite and the main bathroom to the first floor. Outside is an artificially turfed rear garden and a gate accessing the two allocated parking spaces.

Call 01543 226655 or see [www.goodchilds-uk.com](http://www.goodchilds-uk.com)



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## SALES LETTINGS MANAGEMENT AUCTIONS SURVEYS COMMERCIAL EPC's

**THE OAKLANDS, 6 KENDERDINE CLOSE, BEDNALL**

**NO CHAIN**

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FIVE BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE ENJOYING VIEWS OVER GREENBELT FARMLAND TO REAR In Popular Cul-De-Sac On The Edge Of This Much Sought After South Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Three reception rooms
- ◆ Refitted kitchen and utility
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Five bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted family bathroom and ensuite shower room
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Landscaped private rear gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed and intruder alarm
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

**£599,950**

**10 MONUMENT DRIVE, SHARESILL**

**NO CHAIN**

TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW LOCATED IN CUL-DE-SAC IN POPULAR POSITION Convenient For Facilities at Cannock and Wolverhampton

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ Private gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (66)

**£169,950 FREEHOLD**

**HADLEIGH HOUSE, 55 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK**

SUPERBLY APPOINTED INDIVIDUAL ARCHITECT DESIGNED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE OFFERING OUTSTANDING FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOMS AND FIVE RECEPTION ROOMS INCORPORATING HIGH SPECIFICATION INTELLIGENT HOME HUB FACILITIES OCCUPYING EXCEPTIONALLY WELL POSITIONED PLOT WHICH EXTENDS TO APPROXIMATELY 0.42 OF AN ACRE LOCATED IN THIS PRIME RESIDENTIAL AREA OF THE TOWN CLOSE TO TOWN CENTRE FACILITIES AND THE SHOAL HILL DISTRICT OF CANNOCK

- ◆ Recessed Canopy Porch
- ◆ Impressive Reception Hall
- ◆ Cloakroom
- ◆ Five Reception Rooms
- ◆ Bespoke Luxury Fitted Breakfast Kitchen
- ◆ Utility Room
- ◆ Central Galleried Landing
- ◆ Four Double Bedrooms
- ◆ Two En-Suite Shower Rooms
- ◆ Luxury Family Bathroom
- ◆ Useful Attic Room
- ◆ Garaging For Three Cars
- ◆ Cloakroom off Main Garage
- ◆ Fully Double Glazed & Gas Fired Central Heating
- ◆ Intruder Alarm and CCTV
- ◆ EPC Rating C (71)
- ◆ Home Network with Audio Visual and Surround Sound System
- ◆ Landscaped South Facing Rear Gardens Which Extends to Approximately 0.42 Of An Acre With 'In and Out' Drive
- ◆ Inspection Essential To Fully Appreciate This Superbly Appointed Family Residence

**PRICE £950,000 FREEHOLD**

**18 VIEWFIELD AVENUE, HEDNESFORD**

**NO CHAIN**

DETACHED TWO BEDROOMED BUNGALOW OCCUPYING CORNER PLOT GARDENS LOCATED IN POPULAR RESIDENTIAL AREA Convenient For Facilities at Hednesford and Cannock Centre

- ◆ Entrance hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Shower room
- ◆ Detached garage
- ◆ Corner plot gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (67)

**£169,950 FREEHOLD**

**'CHADCROFTS', 25 SANDY LANE, CANNOCK**

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED AND EXTENDED INDIVIDUAL DETACHED HOUSE OFFERING FLEXIBLE 3/4 BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION Located In Much Sought After Shoal Hill Residential Area of the Town in Secluded Private Drive

- ◆ Vestibule and reception hall
- ◆ Lounge, study and snug
- ◆ Fitted kitchen with breakfast area
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom and ensuite shower room
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Two garages
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

**£495,000 FREEHOLD**

**198 LONGFORD ROAD, CANNOCK**

**NO CHAIN**

THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Located In Much Sought After Residential Area of The Town

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Built-On Garage
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating (F) 38

**£239,950 FREEHOLD**

**4 RUTLAND ROAD, HEATH HAYES**

**NO CHAIN**

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW Located In Popular Cul-De-Sac Close To Facilities at Heath Hayes Village Centre

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ L shaped lounge
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Possible garage space
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (60)

**£149,950 FREEHOLD**

**GANLLWYD COTTAGE, PARKSIDE LANE, HATHERTON**

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED COTTAGE REPUTEDLY DATING FROM THE LATE 18TH CENTURY AND CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED IN THE 1970'S Occupying Well Stocked Grounds Extending to Approx 0.2 Of An Acre Located In Much Sought After Rural Greenbelt Position Close To Cannock Chase

- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Fitted dining kitchen
- ◆ Utility Room & cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Three double bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom and ensuite shower room
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Extensive off road parking & well stocked gardens
- ◆ Oil fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating F (37)

**£399,950 FREEHOLD**

**9 STATION ROAD, PELSALL**

A PRESTIGIOUS DEVELOPMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL DESIGNED FOUR BEDROOMED HOUSE Conveniently Located For Facilities at Pelsall Village Centre

- ◆ Two reception rooms
- ◆ Luxury fitted kitchen
- ◆ Cloakroom and first floor study
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom and 2 ensuite
- ◆ Garage and landscaped gardens
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Intruder alarm
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

**£310,000**

**23 RED LION AVENUE, NORTON CANES**

**NO CHAIN**

WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Private Drive Convenient For Facilities Within the Village of Norton Canes

- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Refitted kitchen
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Ensuite shower room and family bathroom
- ◆ Integral garage
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Intruder alarm
- ◆ EPC rating E (53)

**£174,950 FREEHOLD**

**2 LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, LOVE LANE, RUGELEY**

ATTRACTIVE WELL EQUIPPED PARK HOME ON ESTABLISHED PARK HOME SITE ADJACENT TO CANAL TWO PATH WITHIN A SHORT WALK OF TOWN CENTRE AND WIDE RANGE OF FACILITIES

- ◆ Canopy porch
- ◆ Lounge/dining area
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Shower room
- ◆ Utility
- ◆ Gas fired central heating (LPG)
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Allocated parking
- ◆ For persons aged 50 and over

**£80,000 LEASEHOLD**

**13 BIDEFORD WAY, CANNOCK**

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Much Sought After Residential Area of the Town Convenient For Facilities Close By

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Lounge/dining area
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Refitted well equipped kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Gardens and off road parking
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating D (58)

**£169,950 FREEHOLD**

**10 FIELD ROAD, TIPTON**

**NO CHAIN**

THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining room
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Garage and gardens
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Intruder alarm
- ◆ EPC rating C (69)

**£119,950 FREEHOLD**

**29 KENT PLACE, HEATH HAYES**

**NO CHAIN**

SEMI DETACHED ONE BEDROOMED BUNGALOW Located In Popular Cul-De-Sac Convenient For Facilities at Heath Hayes Centre

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Bedroom & Bathroom
- ◆ Possible garage space/off road parking
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (64)

**£119,950 FREEHOLD**

**13 BERWICK DRIVE, CANNOCK**

WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE LOCATED IN POPULAR RESIDENTIAL AREA OF THE TOWN Conveniently Located For Facilities

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Shower room and separate toilet
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

**£154,950 FREEHOLD**

**24 CROYDON DRIVE, PENKRIDGE**

**NO CHAIN**

WELL EQUIPPED EXTENDED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area Of This Much Sought After South Staffordshire Market Village

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Extended dining room
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (69)

**£215,000 FREEHOLD**





# 8%

+ VAT

# MANAGEMENT FEE

Subject to Set-up Fee of £250 inc Vat

## No Let - No Fee - No Hidden Extras

### SALES

### LETTINGS

### MANAGEMENT

### AUCTIONS

### SURVEYS

### COMMERCIAL

### EPC's

200B BLOXWICH ROAD, WALSALE



SPACIOUS ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bedroom
- Shower room
- Double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Off road parking
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- EPC rating: C (76)

£425pcm

232 HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK



WELL EQUIPPED AND PRESENTED TWO BEDROOM MID MEWS HOUSE

- Cloakroom with WC
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Gardens & off road parking to the rear
- Sorry no pets, smokers, DSS or sharers
- EPC rating: tbc

£595pcm

282 WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK



WELL MAINTAINED THREE/FOUR BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE

- Enclosed porch & reception hall
- Lounge
- Dining room/bedroom 4
- Refitted kitchen
- Inner lobby & guest cloakroom with WC
- Three bedrooms & refitted bathroom
- Fully double glazed & gas central heating
- Garden & off road parking allowed
- Sorry no DSS, smokers or pets allowed
- EPC rating D (65)

£650pcm

1C CANNOCK ROAD, BURNWOOD



WELL PRESENTED ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT Convenient For Local Facilities

- Entrance lobby
- Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (67)

£450pcm

8 THE CROSSINGS, MILL STREET, CANNOCK



WELL EQUIPPED MID MEWS HOUSE Built To A High Specification Conveniently Located For Facilities At The Town Centre And Cannock Train Station

- Cloakroom with WC
- Lounge/dining area
- Fitted kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Off road parking
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: B (84)

£600pcm

44 BROOK LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

UNDER APPLICATION



SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Separate WC
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating C (71)

£495pcm

APARTMENT 15 BEECH TREE COURT, BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK



WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre

- Reception hall
- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Security phone system
- Allocated parking space
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: B (81)

£495 pcm

15 BURGOYNE STREET, CANNOCK



WELL APPOINTED FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Dining kitchen & utility room
- Ground floor shower room
- Four double bedrooms
- En-suite shower room & family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Sorry no pets, smokers, DSS or sharers
- EPC rating: D (66)

£1050pcm

15 PARTRIDGE CLOSE, HEATH HAYES



WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED END MEWS HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area

- Entrance hall
- Lounge/dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Guest cloakroom with WC
- Landing
- Two double bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room & ensuite bathroom
- Garden & gardens
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers

£600.00pcm

1 FOUNTAIN COURT, TEDDESLEY PARK, PENKRIDGE



SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERSION Situated On The Picturesque Rural Estate Of Teddesley Park

- Fitted dining kitchen
- Lounge
- Inner Hall
- Two double bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Communal landscaped gardens
- Oil fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating C (69)

£615pcm

2 MILL PLACE, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE



WELL EQUIPPED SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERSION Situated On The Picturesque Rural Estate Of Teddesley Park

- Lounge
- Fitted dining kitchen
- Inner hall
- Two double bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Oil fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Communal grounds and parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- EPC rating C (77)

£685pcm

11 VICTORIA TERRACE, NORTH STREET, BRIDGTOWN



WELL EQUIPPED SPACIOUS SECOND FLOOR FLAT Convenient For Transport Links & Local Facilities

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Allocated secure parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: C (79)

£525pcm

3 BROMLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



WELL APPOINTED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Off road parking
- Sorry no smokers, pets, DSS or sharers
- EPC rating: tbc

£550pcm

4 BRADBURY COURT, HEDNESFORD



FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE Located In Private Cul-De-Sac

- Reception hall & cloakroom with WC
- Lounge and dining room
- Breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Four bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room & family bathroom
- Integral garage and gardens
- Gas central heating & fully double glazed
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DD
- EPC rating D (59)

£875pcm

33 POPLAR LANE, CANNOCK



THREE BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW Located In Sought After Residential Area

- Kitchen
- Lounge
- Three bedrooms
- Fully tiled shower room
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Off road parking
- Sorry no smokers or DSS allowed
- Pets considered
- EPC rating: C (69)

£700 pcm

50 GLADSTONE ROAD, HEATH HAYES



WELL PRESENTED TWO BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW

- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Two bedrooms
- Shower room
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Detached garage
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- EPC rating: D (66)

£695pcm

6 BADGERS WAY, HEATH HAYES



THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- Lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Shower room
- Built-on garage
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- EPC rating: D (60)

£600pcm

12 SAM BARBER COURT, HEATH HAYES



IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR FLAT Located In Popular Residential Area

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Refitted kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Economy 7 electric heating
- Fully double glazed
- Communal grounds & allocated parking
- Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- EPC rating D (68)

£465pcm

NO.4 SANDY COURT, 3 SANDY LANE, CANNOCK



WELL EQUIPPED LUXURY TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT Located In Much Sought After Development In The Shoal Hill District Of The Town Adjacent Cannock Chase

- Lounge/dining/kitchen area
- Two double bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Luxury bathroom
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Security gated access
- Intruder alarm
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- EPC rating: C (79)

£695pcm

9A COPPICE CLOSE, CHESLYN HAY



SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW Situated At Head Of Cul-De-Sac In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Landscaped gardens
- Carport & extensive off road parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (64)

£800pcm

THE LODGE, LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, RUEGELEY



EXTREMELY WELL APPOINTED ONE BEDROOM LODGE Situated In This Well Maintained Park Home Development Convenient For Facilities Locally

- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Sauna
- Electric heating
- Double glazed
- Gardens & decked terrace
- For persons aged 50 & over
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS
- EPC rating: N/A

£500pcm

14 THE FORGE, NORTH STREET, BRIDGTOWN



SPACIOUS NEWLY RENOVATED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT Located In Gated Development Convenient For Local Facilities And Transport Links

- Communal hall, stairs & landing
- Copen plan lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Shower room
- Fully double glazed
- Electric heating
- Allocated parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: tbc

£525pcm

APARTMENT 4 MANOR COURT, 7A TANHOUSE FARM ROAD, SOLIHULL



WELL EQUIPPED GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT Conveniently Located In Much Sought After Residential Area

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Allocated parking space
- Electric heating
- Fully double glazed
- Communal grounds
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS
- EPC rating: C (73)

£625pcm

48 ST JOHNS ROAD, CANNOCK



THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Conveniently Located For Facilities At The Town Centre

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Three double bedrooms
- Refitted family bathroom
- Built-on garage
- Gas central heating
- Predominantly double glazed
- Sorry no DSS, pets, smokers or children
- EPC rating: F (35)

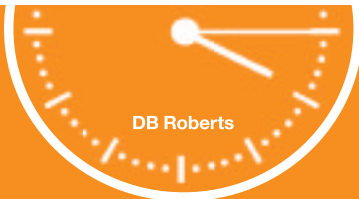
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- Three bedroom semi detached • Extended to the ground floor
- Sat on a corner plot • Driveway to the front
- Rear Garden • EPC = TBC



- Three Bed Semi-Detached • Garage & Driveway
- South Facing Rear Garden • Downstairs WC
- Open Plan Lounge Diner & Conservatory • EPC = C



- Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow • Extended To The Rear
- Loft Room Currently Used For Storage • Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage & Driveway • EPC = TBC



- Two Bedroom Bungalow • Pleasant Cul De Sac Location
- Easy Reach to Cannock Centre • Lounge Diner
- No Chain & Must Be Viewed • EPC = E



- Immaculate Detached House • Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Conservatory • Carport & Corner Plot Position
- En suite Shower Room
- EPC = C



- Detached Family Home • Impressive Lounge Diner
- Refitted Breakfast Kitchen • Three Bedrooms
- Close To Cannock Town Centre • EPC = E



- Detached Family House • Four Well Proportioned Bedrooms
- Breakfast Kitchen • Downstairs Guest WC
- Utility Room • Splendid Conservatory EPC = TBC



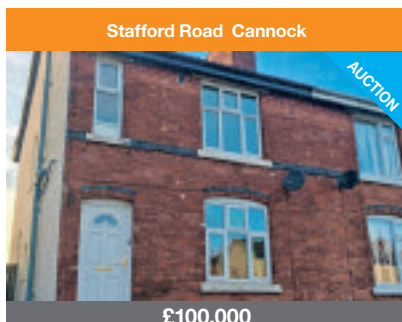
- Five Bedroom Detached • Two En-Suits & Family Bathroom
- Garage & Driveway • Open Plan Kitchen Diner
- Rear Garden • EPC = C



- First Floor Maisonette • Spacious 20ft Lounge Diner
- Two Well Proportioned Bedrooms • Ensuite Shower Room
- Must Be Viewed • EPC = B



- Three Bedroom Semi Detached • Lounge & Dining Room
- Downstairs Guest WC. • Superb Refitted Bathroom
- Ensuite Shower Room • EPC = E



- Traditional Semi Detached House • No Onward Chain
- Lounge & Kitchen Diner • Three Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Garden • EPC = E



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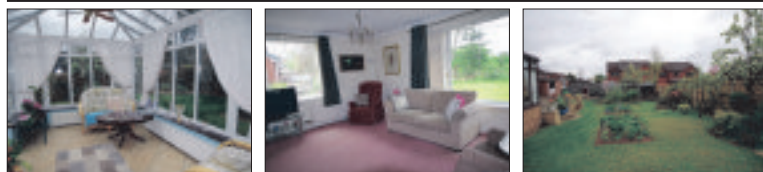




**St Johns Close, Slitting Mill**

**£435,000**

JR Distinctive Homes are delighted to offer for sale this unique and spacious family home situated in the picturesque Village of Slitting Mill. The house itself offers four double bedrooms, three bathrooms, two reception rooms with superb living kitchen and uninterrupted views to the rear aspect



**Bower Lane, Etching Hill**

**£329,950**

JR Distinctive Homes are pleased to offer for sale this spacious detached bungalow in a sought after location. Accommodation having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Fitted Kitchen and Utility. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Detached Garage and Good sized gardens to front and rear



**Etching Hill Road, Etching Hill**

**£485,000**

JR Distinctive Homes are pleased to market this unusual property, being sold as one house but currently split into two semi detached homes. Ideal for a project or a family home. Being situated in the sought after area of Etchinghill with open aspect to the front, good sized garden to rear and NO CHAIN



**Hednesford Road, Rugeley**

**£350,000**

JR Distinctive Homes are pleased to market this beautifully presented five bedroom home. Being extended and close to all amenities. Having Hallway, Two Reception Rooms, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility and Guest w.c. Landing to Master with En suite, Four further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Drive to Double Garage



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Eaton Drive, Rugeley

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£174,950



Wharf Road, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this four bedroom bungalow, being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Having Entrance Porch, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility, Lounge to Inner Hallway leading to Four Bedrooms and Bathroom. Detached Garage with parking and good sized Gardens with open aspect to front

£139,995

St Michaels Road, Brereton



- JR Properties are pleased to market this three bedroom semi detached home, being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Accommodation having Porch, Entrance Hallway, Guest w.c., Two Reception Rooms and Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Shower Room. Gardens to front and rear with off road parking

£134,950



Lower Birches Way, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this four / five bedroom detached home, in a quiet cul de sac location. Having Hallway, Guest w.c., Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Breakfast Kitchen and Bedroom Four. Landing, Two Bedrooms with En Suite, Bedroom and Bathroom. Driveway and Garden to rear

£279,950



- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom semi detached home, on the sought after Hawksyard Estate, Having Hallway, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge and Breakfast Kitchen. Landing to Bedroom One with En Suite, Two further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Parking to front and Garden to rear

£160,000 Offers Over



Chapelside, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom town house, being ideal for first time buyers or investor. Accommodation having Hallway, Kitchen and Lounge, Landing to Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Allocated Parking and Garden to rear. NO UPWARD CHAIN

£112,500



Bower Lane, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom semi detached family home, situated in Etchinghill. Having Porch, Entrance Hallway, Breakfast Kitchen, Lounge and Conservatory. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Refitted Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and Gardens to front and rear

£164,950

The Lindens, Rugeley

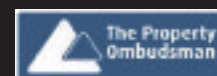


- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this well presented three bedroom, three storey home situated in a quiet cul de sac. Having Hallway, Guest w.c., Lounge and Breakfast Kitchen. Landing leading to Second Lounge, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Landing to Bedroom with En Suite. Garden and Parking

£189,950



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Armitage Road, Rugeley

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**£179,995**

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Elizabethan Way, Rugeley



- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this five bedroom detached property, being offered with **NO UPWARD CHAIN**. Having Entrance Hall, Guest W.C., Two Reception Rooms, Breakfast Kitchen and Utility. Two Bedrooms with En Suites, Three further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Drive to Garage and Garden to rear

**£275,000**



Chester Road, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this four bedroom detached family home, being situated in a quiet cul de sac. Having Entrance Hallway, Guest w.c., Lounge, Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen and Utility. Two Bedrooms with En Suite, Two further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Drive to Garage and Gardens

**£275,000**

Kelly Avenue, Breton



- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom good sized end of terraced family home. Accommodation having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway and Gardens to front and rear

**£129,950**



Watkiss Drive, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to market this three bedroom semi detached home, situated in a cul de sac location, close to local amenities. Having Porch, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway for several vehicles to Carport and Garden to rear

**£147,950**

Hislop Road, Rugeley



- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom semi detached having the benefit of no upward chain. The property does require modernisation throughout but also offers a good investment and would make an ideal rental purchase

**£94,950**



Frank Rogers Walk, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented one bedroom bungalow, being close to all local amenities. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen, Bedroom, Study Room and Shower Room. Gardens to front and rear. **"BEING OFFERED WITH NO UPWARD CHAIN"**

**£97,950**



Antler Drive, Etching Hill

- JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented three bedroom detached family home, in a sought after location. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms, Bathroom and Separate W.C. Driveway to Garage and Gardens to front and rear

**£235,000**



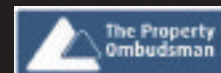
Woodbury Walk, Rugeley

- JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this modern four bedroom, three storey **NEW BUILD** home. **AVAILABLE WITH PART EXCHANGE**. Having Hallway, Guest w.c., Lounge and Fitted Kitchen. Two further floors to Four Bedrooms, Two with En Suites and Bathroom. Parking for two vehicles and Garden to rear

**£279,995**



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- Refitted Kitchen
- Guests WC
- 3 Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Driveway

**\$135,000**

**NEW**

**CANNOCK**  
ANDOVER PLACE




- Semi Detached
- Refitted Breakfast Kitchen
- Lounge/Diner
- Utility Room
- 3 Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Viewing Recommended

**\$140,000**

**HEDNESFORD**  
ST.FRANCIS CLOSE




- 4 Bed Detached
- Hall, Guests WC
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Utility
- Conservatory
- Bathroom
- En-Suite
- Garage, Gardens

**\$279,950**


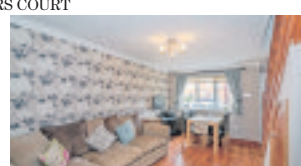
**CANNOCK**  
ST.JAMES ROAD




- Fully Refurbished Bungalow
- Spacious Lounge
- Refitted Modern Kitchen
- Double Bedroom
- Shower Room
- Gardens
- Close to Cannock
- No Chain

**\$125,000**

**NORTON CANES**  
CHEQUERS COURT

- Semi Detached
- Entrance Porch,
- Spacious Lounge Diner
- Kitchen Diner.
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Refitted Family Bathroom,
- Rear Garden
- Driveway

**Offers Over \$130,000**

**CHURCHBRIDGE**  
MYRTLE GLADE






- Modern End Town
- Lounge, WC
- Kitchen/Diner
- 3 Bedrooms, En-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Driveway
- Viewing Recommended

**\$189,950**

**NEW**



**NORTON CANES**  
RED LION CRESCENT




- Semi Detached
- Thorough Hallway
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Refitted Kitchen
- Generous Conservatory
- 3 Bedrooms
- Gardens, Driveway

**\$169,950**

**HEATH HAYES**  
LANGTREE CLOSE

- Link Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Utility, Shower Room
- 4/5 Bedrooms
- Driveway
- Gardens

**\$215,000**

**REDUCED**

**CANNOCK**  
HEATH GAP ROAD




- Traditional Semi
- Porch, WC
- Lounge/Diner
- Refitted Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Large Rear Garden
- Viewing Essential

**Offers Over \$127,950**

**SHOAL HILL**  
PASTURE GATE




- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Entrance Hallway,
- Kitchen,
- Lounge Diner,
- Refitted Bathroom,
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Gardens
- Detached Single Garage.

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**CANNOCK**  
 ULLSWATER PLACE


- Detached House
- Through Hallway, Guest WC,
- Dining Room,
- Lounge Diner, Study Area.



- REFITTED Kitchen,
- Three Double Bedrooms
- STUNNING Family Bathroom.
- Double Garage.

**\$239,950**
**CANNOCK**  
 BROAD STREET


- Internal viewing recommended
- Traditional Terraced
- Well
- Equipped Kitchen
- Two Reception R0oms
- Two Bedrooms

**Offers in excess of \$110,000**
**HEDNESFORD**  
 CHANCERY DRIVE


- Open Field Views
- Generous Extended
- Hallway
- Lounge, WC



- Kitchen/diner
- 5 Bedrooms
- Shower Room
- Generous Driveway

**\$244,950**
**CHESLYN HAY**  
 MOUNT PLEASANT


- 3 Bed Semi
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Bathroom



- Garage
- Driveway
- Viewing Recommended

**\$179,950**
**CANNOCK**  
 PYE GREEN ROAD


- Traditional Property
- Bathroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Parking
- Kitchen/Diner
- Rear Garden
- 4 Bedrooms

**\$135,000**
**CANNOCK**  
 HATHERTON ROAD


- Stunning individual New Build
- High Standard of Fixtures and Fittings
- Lounge
- Kitchen / Orangery



- Utility and Guest WC
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Garage
- Gardens

**Asking Price \$425,000**
**CANNOCK**  
 HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD


- Extended Detached
- Lounge, Conservatory
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Study, WC



- 3 Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom, Ensuite
- Mature Rear Garden
- Garage

**\$239,995**
**CANNOCK**  
 WELLINGTON DRIVE


- Detached Bungalow
- Lounge, Study
- Sought After Location
- 2/3 Bedrooms
- Hallway, Kitchen
- Garage
- Landscaped Garden

**\$259,950**
**WIMBLEBURY**  
 FREMANTLE DRIVE


- Through Hallway,
- Kitchen,
- Lounge Diner,
- Utility Room.



- Three Bedrooms,
- Bathroom, Ensuite
- Private Driveway,
- landscaped Gardens

**\$185,000**
**HEATH HAYES**  
 CAPERCAILLIE DRIVE


- 3 Bed Town House
- 3 Bedrooms
- Popular Location
- Bathroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- No Chain

**\$165,000**
**CANNOCK**  
 THE FIRS


- Double Unit
- Bathroom
- Lounge
- Driveway
- Kitchen/Diner
- Gardens
- 2 Bedrooms

**\$77,500**
**CANNOCK**  
 HOLLINGSWORTH MEWS


- Deceptively Spacious
- 3 Bedroom
- Hall, WC
- En-Suite
- Lounge
- Detached Garage
- Kitchen/Diner
- Driveway

**\$190,000**
**CANNOCK**  
 CANNOCK ROAD


- Traditional Semi
- 2 Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Bathroom
- Dining Room
- Driveway to Rear
- Fitted Kitchen

**\$100,000**
**GREAT WYRLEY**  
 STATION ROAD


- Traditional Detached
- 3 Reception Rooms
- Many Original Features
- 4 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- 1 Bed Annex
- Large Rear Garden

**\$380,000**
**HEDNESFORD**  
 GREENHEATH ROAD


- Traditional Semi Detached
- Lounge
- Entrance Hallway,
- Well Equipped Kitchen
- Dining Room
- Guest WC.

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## BELT ROAD, HEDNESFORD



- 2 Bed End Terrace
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH/DG
- Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating C
- No DSS/Pets

£550 pcm

## GLOVERS HILL COURT, BRERETON



- 2 bed 1st fl flat
- Lounge/diner, Kitchen
- Bathroom, parking
- Energy rating B
- No DSS or Pets

£560 pcm

## OLD PENKRIDGE MEWS, CANNOCK



- Town Centre Fully Refurbished
- 2 Bed End Terraced Lounge, Kitchen
- Conservatory Allocated Parking
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£575 pcm

## BARLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



- 2 Bed End Terrace
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH/DG
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating D
- No DSS/Pets

£595 pcm

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## BROMLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



- 3 Bed End
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Guest WC
- Bathroom
- GCH & DG
- Gardens & Parking
- EPC Pending
- NO DSS OR PETS

£595 pcm

## BOND WAY, HEDNESFORD



- 2 Bed Semi Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen-Diner
- GCH/DG
- Gardens
- Energy Rating C
- No DSS/Pets

£595 pcm

## BOND WAY, HEDNESFORD



- Two Bed Semi
- Open Plan Living
- Lounge/Kitchen/Diner
- Bathroom, GCH, DG
- Gardens, Driveway
- Large Store Room
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£650 pcm

## WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK



- COMMERCIAL
- Town Centre
- 1st Floor Suite
- Five Offices
- Kitchen Facilities
- Toilet Facilities
- Gas Central Heating

£700 pcm

## WHITE BARK CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



- Three Bed Semi
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Guest WC
- Bathroom, GCH, DG
- Gardens, Driveway
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£700 pcm

## LANGHOLM DRIVE, HEATH HAYES



- Three Bed Link
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Shower Room
- GCH, DG
- Gardens, Garage
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£750 pcm

## ROBINS CROFT, HEATH HAYES



- An Executive Double Fronted Detached Family Residence Situated a Good Sized Plot
- Imposing Reception Hallway, Guest WC
- Study, Lounge, Delightful Dining Room
- Spacious Breakfast Kitchen
- Four Good Sized Bedrooms, Two En-Suite Shower Rooms
- Family Bathroom, Double Detached Garage
- Good Sized Front and Rear Gardens

£389,950

## SWEETBRIAR WAY, WIMBEBURY



- A Beautifully Presented Detached House
- Sought After Residential Location
- Reception Hallway/Guest WC
- Re-Fitted Kitchen, Lounge & Dining Room
- Four Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Ensuite
- Family Bathroom
- Delightful Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway- Ample Parking

£254,995

## HILLSIDE CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



- Spacious Semi Detached
- Lounge & Conservatory
- Kitchen & Family Room
- Ground Floor Bedroom/Ensuite Shower
- Four Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Master with Dressing Room/Study
- Driveway & Rear Garden

£199,995

## MAYCROFT CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



- A Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Conservatory, Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Good Sized Rear Garden
- Garage/ Utility Area, Double Width Driveway
- Viewing Recommended

£165,000

## HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK



- A deceptively spacious well presented detached house
- Porch, entrance hall, extended kitchen/diner

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## CHURCH ROAD, NORTON CANES



- Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Family Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Well Stocked Rear Garden With Open Views
- Driveway & Garage

ORIO £199,950

## OLD HEDNESFORD ROAD, CANNOCK



- A Fully Refurbished Detached Family Residence Situated on a Good Sized Corner Plot.
- Reception Hall, Guest WC
- Lounge, Impressive Kitchen/Diner, Utility
- Spacious Master Bedroom with Imposing En-Suite
- Four Further Bedrooms, Superb Family Bathroom
- Integral Garage, Detached Garage at Rear, Driveway
- Established Front, Side & Rear Gardens

£365,000

## ELIZABETHAN WAY, RUGELEY



- A Modern Three Storey End Terraced House
- Guest WC, Kitchen
- Spacious Lounge, Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom, Shower Room
- Garage & Driveway
- Front & Rear Gardens
- No Chain

£165,000

## PEBBLE MILL COURT, CANNOCK



- Well Presented Ground Floor Flat
- Spacious Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Shower Room
- Parking & Garage
- Communal Gardens
- Ideal Location

£145,000

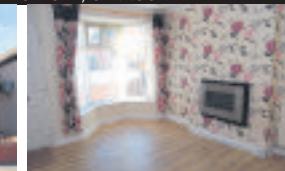
## SPRINGFIELD ROAD, RUGELEY



- A modern well presented end town house
- Entrance hall, guest WC
- Spacious lounge, kitchen
- Three Bedrooms, bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Garage & parking
- NO CHAIN

£130,000

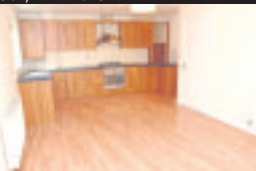
## HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK



- A Spacious Semi Detached House
- Two Reception Rooms
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Parking at Rear
- Gardens

£125,000 No Chain

## MEADOWBROOK CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



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4 2 2 EPC D **£239,995**

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3 2 2 EPC C **£235,000**


**Heath Hayes** Wrens Croft NEW






4 2 2 EPC C **£240,000**

**Burntwood** Springhill Road NEW



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3 2 1 EPC D **£375,000**

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**Rugeley** Armitage Road



4 1 3 EPC C **£245,000**

**Heath Hayes** Fremantle Drive



4 2 2 EPC D **£239,995**

**Norton Canes** Hednesford Road



4 2 1 EPC D **£215,000**

**Cannock** Albert Street




3 1 1 EPC E **£199,995**

**Cannock** Edward Street




4 1 2 EPC D **£189,995**

**Cannock** Wordsworth Close




2 1 1 EPC D **£149,995**

**Cannock** Newhall Street




3 2 1 EPC E **£127,000**

**Heath Hayes** Bank Street



2 2 1 EPC D **£115,000**

**Cannock** Dorney Place NEW



2 1 1 EPC TBA **£109,995**

**Great Wyrley** Penny Court NEW



2 1 1 EPC F **£70,000**





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**HEDNESFORD ROAD  
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**£175,000**



**RUGELEY ROAD  
ARMITAGE**

A two bedroomed mid terraced house in a popular village location, ideal for a first time buyer or for investment and is being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Lounge and Breakfast Kitchen. Landing, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garden to rear. EPC RATING - E

**£99,995**



**ST MICHAELS ROAD  
BRERETON**

A good sized family home positioned on a corner plot. Driveway to side with ample parking and Detached Garage. Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazed. Reception Hall, Downstairs WC, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen. First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and refitted Bathroom. Garden to rear. EPC Rating - D

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**£145,000**



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**£162,500**



**PLOVERS RISE, RUGELEY**

A extended four bedroomed detached family home on a good size corner plot. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility Room, Inner Hall, Downstairs Bedroom and Wet Room. Landing, Three Bedrooms and a Shower Room. Detached Garage with Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - TBC

**£210,000**



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**£105,000**



**LEASOWE CLOSE, GREAT HAYWOOD**

A good size four bedroomed detached family home in a popular and sought after village location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazed. Porch, Hallway, Kitchen, Lounge, Dining Room and Second Reception Room. First Floor Landing Four Bedrooms, Family Bathroom and a Shower Room. Integral Garage and Driveway with Parking. Garden to Rear. EPC TBC.

**£289,995**



**THOMPSON ROAD, BRERETON**

A well presented three bedroomed detached family home in a popular and sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Porch, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen and Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Front and Good sized Garden to rear. EPC RATING - D

**£190,000**



**WESTFIELDS ROAD  
ARMITAGE**

A well presented three bedroomed semi detached property in a sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. The accommodation comprises of a Reception Hall, Lounge and Kitchen Diner. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and a Bathroom. Drive with Off Road Parking and Garden to Rear. EPC Rating - E

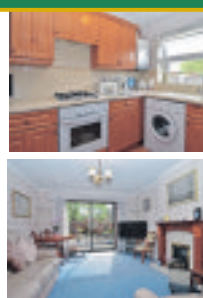
**£195,000**



**MOOR CROFT, COLTON**

Positioned in a cul-de-sac location is this well presented two bedroomed semi-detached property benefiting from Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. Reception Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge and Fitted Kitchen. First Floor Landing with Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Gardens to front and rear. Parking to front. EPC Rating - D

**£160,000**



**CHURCH STREET, RUGELEY**

A four bedroomed semi detached on a private road within walking distance to Town Centre offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Hall, Lounge, Conservatory and Kitchen. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Second Floor Master Bedroom and Ensuite Shower Room. Off Road Parking and Garden. EPC Rating - E

**£185,000**



**DOBREE CLOSE  
COLWICH**

A first floor two bedroomed flat in a popular and sought after village location and is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Porch, Lounge, Kitchen. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. EPC RATING - E

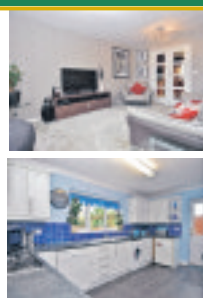
**£105,000**



**CANTERBURY DRIVE, RUGELEY**

A well presented four bedroomed detached family home in a sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen and Utility Room. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom, En-Suite, Three Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Integral Garage, Large Driveway, Garden to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - C

**£240,000**



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**£255,000**

**NEW**

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**£320 pcm**

**NEW**

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**£550 pcm**

**NEW**

**HEATHER CLOSE RUGELEY**

Spacious property in quiet location. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Open Plan Lounge/ Dining Room/Kitchen with some appliances, ground floor Family Room/Bedroom Three, two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Driveway parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKING. NO PETS. EPC rating D. DEPOSIT £865

**£625 pcm**

**NO CHAIN**

**BRIDLE WALK ETCHINGHILL**

A two bedroomed link detached bungalow in a popular area of Etchinghill is being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Hallway, Kitchen, Lounge, Inner Hallway, Conservatory, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garage and Driveway with ample Off Road Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - TBC.

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**OFFERS INVITED**

**KINGFISHER DRIVE, COLWICH**

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Mid terraced property with detached garage to rear. Accommodation comprises Through Hallway, spacious Lounge, re-fitted Kitchen, Separate re-fitted WC and Bathroom, Three good sized bedrooms. Benefitting from Gas Central Heating and additional parking to rear. Gardens. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. PETS CONSIDERED. DEPOSIT £760

**£550 pcm**

**CHAPEL MEWS BLACKFORDS, CANNOCK**

Well presented first floor flat comprising of Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen, One spacious double Bedroom and Shower Room. Electric Heating and Double Glazing. A number of energy saving improvements have been made to the property. Off Road Parking. Communal area at rear. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. NO DSS. DEPOSIT £623

**£450 pcm**

**NO CHAIN**

**TITHEBARN ROAD, RUGELEY**

A four bedroomed former bungalow within walking distance to town centre offered with no upward chain. Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. Accommodation comprises Entrance Hallway/Kitchen/Lounge/Wel Room and Two Ground Floor Bedrooms. Stairs to two further Bedrooms. Driveway, Garage and Gardens to front and rear. EPC RATING - E

**£220,000**

**HILLSIDE DRIVE HEDNESFORD**

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**LOWER BIRCHES WAY RUGELEY**

Modern Detached Property benefiting from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Property comprises Through Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen with some appliances, Four Bedrooms, Master with En-suite, Bathroom. Garage. Gardens to front and rear. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. DEPOSIT £1108

**£800 pcm**

**THYME HOUSE, LICHFIELD ROAD ABBOTS BROMLEY**

A beautiful detached character property in sought after village location. Reception Hall, Guest Cloaks, Lounge, Dining Room, Living Kitchen, Utility Room, Laundry Room. Four Bedrooms, En-suites to Three Bedrooms, Dressing Room to Master also. Garage. Landscaped gardens. Council Tax included. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating D. DEPOSIT £2075

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- Gas Central Heating System
- Utility & Guest WC

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**Hatton Road, Cannock**

- Detached Family Home
- Four Good Size Bedrooms
- Open Fields To The Front
- Two Reception Rooms

- Downstairs WC
- Very Popular Location
- Carport & Garage

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**Keys Park Road, Wimblebury**

- Detached Family Home
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom & Ensuite
- Modern Kitchen & Utility

- Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory & Guest WC
- Large Block Paved Drive

£235,000



**Rowan Close, Huntington**

- Immaculate Four Bed Home
- Stylish Dining Kitchen
- Spacious Lounge & Conservatory
- Bathroom & Ensuite

- Garage & Downstairs WC
- Low Maintenance Rear Garden
- Close To Cannock Chase

£220,000



**Hopton Meadow, Heath Hayes**

- Delightful Detached Home
- Stunning Dining Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms, Corner Plot
- Detached Outbuilding

- NO UPWARD CHAIN
- Drive, Landscaped Gardens
- EPC - D

£200,000



**Pebblemill Close, Cannock**

- Four Bedroom Detached Gas Central Heating System
- Close To Cannock Town
- No Upward Chain

- Fitted Kitchen & Dining Area
- Spacious Living Room
- Gas Central Heating System

£200,000



**Kenmore Avenue, Hednesford**

- Corner Plot In Small Cul-de-Sac
- Three Good Size Bedrooms
- Could Be Split Into 4 Bed
- Spacious Lounge / Dining Room

- Fitted Kitchen & Utility
- En-suite Shower Room & Bathroom

£195,000



**Hednesford Road, Norton Canes**

- Detached Three Bedroom House
- Views To The Front Over Field
- No Upward Chain
- Lounge and Dining Room

- Large Block Paved Driveway
- Gas Central Heating System

£179,950



**Ullswater Place, Cannock**

- Detached Home
- Five Bedrooms
- In Need Of Modernisation
- Spacious

- Large Rear Garden
- Close To Cannock Town
- Viewing Is A Must

£210,000



**New Plant Lane, Chase Terrace**

- Modern Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Immaculate Condition
- Lounge/Diner
- Fully Fitted Kitchen
- Garage

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**Partridge Close, Heath Hayes**

- Town House
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Ensuites
- Family Bathroom
- Lounge Diner
- Breakfast Kitchen

£175,000



**Huntington Terrace Road, Chadsmoor**

- Detached Three Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner & Guest WC
- Large Rear Garden
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- No Chain Involved
- Gas Central Heating

£165,000



**Nightingale Close, Huntington**

- Modern Three Bedroom Semi
- Lounge & Kitchen Diner
- No Upward Chain
- South Facing Rear Garden
- Driveway to front & Side
- Energy Efficient Solar Panels

£155,000



**Butts Way, Norton Canes**

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Conservatory
- Refitted Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating

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**Broomhill Close, Cannock**

- Semi Detached
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating
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**Station Road, Hednesford**

- Charming Traditional Mid Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Off Road Parking at Rear
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Close To Train Station

£110,000



**Chase Walk, Huntington**

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Spacious Living Room
- Secure Off Road Parking
- Gas Combi Central Heating

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**Lichfield Road, Stafford**

- In Need Of Modernisation, Cash Buyer Only
- Spacious Three Storey Home Rear Garden
- Close To Town
- 3 Bedrooms (EPC - F)
- Three Reception Rooms None
- Shower Room & Bathroom

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**Sandpiper Close, Hednesford**

- Two Bedroom End Terrace
- Modern Kitchen/Diner
- Porch & Living Room
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Allocated Parking Space
- No Chain Involved

£97,500



**Barnard Way, Cannock**

- Ground Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Store Room
- Ideal Buy To Let
- Tenant in, Paying £500

£87,500



**Lupin Drive, Huntington**

- Modern Second Floor Flat
- Two Double Bedrooms
- 40% Shared Ownership
- Generous Accommodation
- Immaculately Presented
- D/Glazed & Gas/C/Heating

£41,000



**Lomax Road, Hednesford**

- Ground floor apartment
- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Modern Style bathroom
- Double glazing & gas central heating
- Available mid April 2017

£495pcm Sorry no dss & no pets



**Sandpiper Close, Hednesford**

- Semi detached home
- Lounge with feature fireplace
- Kitchen with dining area
- Two bedrooms
- Electric heating
- Available now.

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**Evergreen Heights, Hednesford**

- Modern semi detached house
- Spacious lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Driveway & garage
- Available now

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**Hawbush Road, Walsall**

- Three storey semi detached house
- Kitchen with cooker & hob
- Living room & Study
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Off road parking

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**Stafford Lane, Hednesford**

- Traditional semi detached home
- Kitchen / breakfast room with appliances
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom with shower over bath
- Garage and driveway
- Available May 2017

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**Lichfield Road, Brownhills**

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- Contemporary Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Driveway & Garage
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- Generous Plot
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite 3
- Integral Double Garage C

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- Through lounge dining room 3
- Modern breakfast kitchen, utility
- Off road parking with garage C

Great Wyrley Office - £250,000



HEDNESFORD, CORSICAN DRIVE

- Detached Residence 4
- Corner Position 1
- Generous Plot
- Double Garage D

Burntwood Office - £230,000



BURNTWOOD, RUGELEY ROAD

- Link Detached Bungalow 2
- Prime Location 1
- Two Good Sized Bedrooms
- No Upward Chain E

Great Wyrley Office - £225,000



CHESLYN HAY, LEVESON AVENUE

- Extended Well Maintained Semi-Detached 4
- Prime Village Location 2
- Master with En Suite D

Burntwood Office - £225,000



BURNTWOOD, MORLINGS DRIVE

- Three Double Bedrooms 3
- Lounge/Diner 1
- Refitted Kitchen
- Garage & Off Road Parking

Great Wyrley Office - £224,950



GREAT WYRLEY, SPRING DRIVE

- Impressive detached bungalow 2
- Private Cul-de-Sac location 1
- Spacious lounge, kitchen
- Large conservatory D

Burntwood Office - £215,000



BURNTWOOD, QUEEN STREET

- Spacious Lounge 2
- Delightful Rear Garden 1
- Garage & Driveway
- No Upward E

Burntwood Office - £199,950



BURNTWOOD, LAMBERT DRIVE

- Corner Position 2
- Conservatory 1
- Modern Interiors
- Garage D

Burntwood Office - £175,000



CANNOCK, HAREBELL CLOSE

- Extended Semi-Detached House 3
- Lounge/Diner 1
- Extended Kitchen
- Off Road Parking C

Great Wyrley Office - £154,950



CHESLYN HAY, WESTBOURNE AVE

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### Herondale, Hednesford

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The property briefly comprises of lounge, kitchen, two

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### Mosswood Street, Cannock

**£140,000**

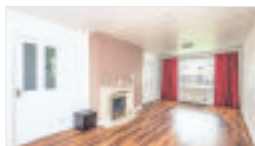

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, pantry cupboard, downstairs bathroom, boiler/utility room, three bedrooms and externally to the front a driveway providing off road parking, shared access to the side and to the rear there are entertaining patio areas and a separate lawn. Energy rating: E.



### Whitby Way, Cannock

**£143,000**


Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, modern fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, WC, bathroom and externally outbuildings for storage, block paved driveway to the front providing parking for multiple vehicles and to the rear a entertaining patio area with separate lawn. Energy rating: D.



### Keats Avenue, Cannock

**£154,950**


Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this two bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, kitchen / breakfast area, rear hall, work room / storage, inner hall, downstairs bathroom, family room, two bedrooms, loft storage area and garage. Energy rating: awaited.



### Grange Crescent, Penkridge

**£167,000**


A well proportioned semi detached family home located within the popular market town of Penkridge. The accommodation in brief comprises entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen/diner, utility room. On the first floor there are three bedrooms and a bathroom. The property benefits from a detached garage and a block paved driveway for multiple cars, as well as a landscaped front garden and a pleasant rear garden. Energy Rating: awaited



### Cannock Road, Cannock

**£170,000**


CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached property in Cannock. The property comprises of entrance porch, lounge, kitchen, downstairs WC, three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway providing off road parking, and garage. Energy rating: E.



### Comfrey Close, Huntington

**£220,000**


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### Walsall Road, Cannock

**£225,000**


Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance porch way, lounge, reception room 2, conservatory, kitchen, downstairs WC, three bedrooms, bathroom, loft room, drive through garage, workshop, further garage, driveway providing off road parking for multiple vehicles and rear garden. The property has period solid wood doors fitted throughout. Energy rating: awaited.



### Francis Close, Penkridge

**£245,000**


Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Penkridge. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, dining room, lounge, kitchen / diner, downstairs shower room, utility room, three bedrooms, bathroom, loft room with en-suite and driveway providing off road parking. Energy rating: awaited.



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Energy rating: D.



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### Meriden Close, Cannock £267,500



CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are excited to market for sale this three bedroom detached bungalow offered with no chain and located in SHOAL HILL, Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance porch, large hall way, family lounge, sitting area with skylights, dining area, modern fitted kitchen, three bedrooms all of a very good size and the third bedroom having wc and wash hand basin, separate bathroom with shower, bath, wc and wash hand basin. Externally to the front there is lawn area, separate driveway providing parking for multiple vehicles and access to garage through up and over door. To the rear there is various paved entertaining patio areas with a mixture of shrubs and trees, there is also a side access to the front of the property and access into garage through door to side. Energy rating: E.



### Francis Green Lane, Penkridge £349,950



This is your chance to purchase a detached property in an outstanding position in Penkridge. The property stands in one of the most desirable roads and is quite deceptive as from the front you wouldn't believe that the property briefly comprises of a grand entrance hall, lounge, extended dining room, kitchen/diner, study, large utility room, downstairs WC and garage whilst upstairs you have three double bedrooms, master with en-suite shower room, family bathroom, large walk in cupboard as well as a further dining cupboard. Externally you have a pleasant, low maintenance rear garden which is currently all patio and gravel beds however the potential for a large lawn area is there. To the front you have a large block paved driveway and a front garden. Energy rating: E.



### Stafford Road, Great Wyrley £365,000



CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are delighted to market for sale this impressive three bedroom detached bungalow with character and beautiful views to the rear situated in the sought after village of Great Wyrley near to schools, transport links, pubs and local amenities. This property briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, downstairs WC with wash hand basin, family lounge, dining room with double doors into modern fitted kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms all of a good size with the master bedroom benefiting from having a recently fitted en-suite and windows that open completely out on to a superb elevated decking area, bathroom with an impressive power shower, WC and wash hand basin. To the front there are private electric gates with intercom system, block paved driveway, front and rear gardens with various shrubs, trees and water features, summer house at the bottom of the garden, side access to the rear through secure gate and separate access into garage/workshop through door to rear. Energy rating: D.



### Littleworth Hill, Hednesford £390,000



CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this four bedroom detached property located in Hednesford. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, dining area, cloakroom / study, kitchen, utility room, downstairs WC, four bedrooms - master bedroom having en-suite and walk in wardrobe, bathroom and an annex with lounge / kitchen diner, kitchen, wet room, two bedrooms and storage areas. Energy rating: D.



### Rosewood Park, Cheslyn Hay £450,000



CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this EIGHT BEDROOM detached house in the village of Cheslyn Hay close to schools, local amenities and transport links including the train station of which is all walking distance. The property boasts from having a huge amount of living space and generous accommodation throughout, this property would suit any growing family or any family merging together. The property comprises of porch, hallway, downstairs WC, 21 FOOT LOUNGE, dining room, kitchen, breakfast room, utility room. With a total of 8 BEDROOMS and 4 EN-SUITES, the first floor has 5 bedrooms of which two bedrooms have en-suites and there is a large family bathroom. The second floor offers a further 3 bedrooms of which two have both en-suites and large walk in wardrobes, there is also a study/playroom. To the front there is a large block paved driveway as well as access to an integral double width garage. To the rear is an entertaining block paved patio area, lawn area and a pond. Energy rating: D.



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# Jaguar F-PACE is most beautiful car

By Sharon Walters

**The Jaguar F-PACE is officially the best and most beautiful car in the world after double success at the 2017 World Car Awards, scooping the prestigious World Car of the Year and World Car Design of the Year titles.**

The performance SUV is the fastest selling model Jaguar has produced and is only the second vehicle to claim the historic double in the 13-year history of the World Car Awards. To win the pair of trophies, the F-PACE saw off the competition in a vote of 75 influential motoring journalists from 24 countries.

These are the latest in a line of major honours for the F-PACE since its April 2016 introduction.

The fastest-selling Jaguar ever has collected more than 40 awards, including being named Women's World Car of the Year, Auto Express 'Car of the Year' and 'Best Premium SUV' by Telegraph Cars.

Dr Ralf Speth, Jaguar Land Rover CEO, said: "The F-PACE was designed and engineered as a performance SUV with exceptional dynamics, everyday usability and bold design.

"Winning this award endorses the talent and great work of our teams that have delivered the world's most practical sports car and Jaguar's fastest-selling vehicle".

The awards brace is the first overall success for Jaguar at the World Car Awards. The XE sports saloon was a finalist for the 2016 World Car Design of the Year title. The F-PACE triumphed over finalists the Audi Q5 and Volkswagen Tiguan to claim the 2017 World Car of the Year prize.

Ian Callum, director of design, Jaguar, said: "The F-PACE is our first ever SUV but it is clearly recognisable as a Jaguar and for it to win the 2017 World Car of the Year trophy vindicates our decision to bring our unique design principles and dynamic qualities to a new sector of the market."

The World Car Awards jury comprises influential motoring journalists and to win the 2017 World Car Design of the Year prize the F-PACE saw off the Mercedes-Benz S-Class Cabriolet and Toyota C-HR in the final three.

## Beaten

Mike Rutherford, juror, director and vice-chairman of the World Car Awards/World Car of the Year said: "Jaguar has done the unthinkable by first securing the World Car Design of the Year award, then lifting the big one – the overall World Car of the Year trophy.

"With F-PACE, the British company and its proud and talented workers have taken on and beaten far bigger, far wealthier European, Asian and North American rivals."

The new World Car of the Year has contributed to record sales growth by attracting new customers to the brand.

It is a performance SUV designed and engineered to offer the agility, responsiveness and refinement that Jaguar is renowned for, together with unrivalled dynamics and everyday usability.

It is already the most searched Jaguar ever in the UK with 4.4 million unique page views of F-PACE content since launch and more than



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680,000 people taking the time to configure their dream F-PACE online.

Jaguar's first performance SUV is designed and developed in the UK and built at Solihull. The business invested £120m in its Solihull facility to build the F-PACE, part of a total £2bn investment in the plant and awarded

£5bn of UK supplier contracts to support its production.

Engine options for the F-PACE range from the efficient and innovative four-cylinder 2.0-litre Ingenium diesel, with CO2 emissions as low as 126g/km (built in Wolverhampton) to the high-performance 380PS,

supercharged V6 petrol model that can accelerate from 0-62mph (0-100km/h) in just 5.5 seconds.

The Jaguar F-PACE, priced from £34,730, is available to order now at Jaguar UK retailers.

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# Impressive seven seater from Skoda

By Ian Donaldson

**How gratifying it must be for Skoda – a brand always strong on value – to see customers lining up to spend more than they could get away with.**

For nearly everyone ordering a new Skoda Kodiaq, the firm's first seven seater, wants the version that sits near the top of the range, not near the bottom.

The Kodiaq (its name alluding to a bear found in Alaska) is available from £21,565 but 85 per cent of potential purchasers want posher ones costing more than £7,000 extra.

That surely signals Skoda's warranted arrival among cars that are fancied for their looks and ability more than their list price. A drive in the newcomer says the first owners of a Kodiaq made the right choice.

Longer (at 4,697mm) than both a Volvo XC60 or Audi Q5, the Kodiaq is a genuinely spacious car, with three rows of seats in the upper two trim levels (SE L and Edition) with the rearmost pair capable of comfortably seating a couple of young teenagers.

They might have to scramble past a second row of seats that slide forward but whose bases don't tilt upward, but the Kodiaq is going to be an answer for families sometimes called on to transport kids to football.

Better still, even with the third row in use there's the same amount of luggage space behind them that you might find in your average small hatchback – so enough for a decent shop. Fold all the seats down and the Kodiaq could probably house its namesake.

You can't opt for the third row in the entry level Kodiaq S and it costs £1,000 on the next grade up (SE) but almost all the early adopters are buying three-rowed versions anyway. They'll also favour a Kodiaq with a

150 horsepower 2.0 litre diesel, the same unit that does sterling service in a host of other Volkswagen Group cars, from Audi through SEAT to VW itself. It costs from £27,114 in an SE level car, equipped with a 6-speed DSG automatic gearbox. Also on offer is a 190 horsepower diesel and a trio of petrol engines, two 1.4 litres offering 125 or 150 horsepower and a more powerful 2.0 litre petrol with 180 horses. The lowest powered petrol model is the only Kodiaq available with a manual 6-speed gearbox and front wheel drive.

All the rest of the range is equipped with either an auto box or on-demand all-wheel drive, or both. They're both on parade in the current range topping Edition model, costing £34,050 and coming with the 150 horsepower diesel, whose 144g/km tailpipe emissions promise a reasonable £200 road tax hit from new under the latest Treasury revamp.

Most powerful engine at present is the 190 horsepower 2.0 litre diesel, available in a single SL L trim version for £33,110. Later in the year we'll see a Scout model with more obvious off-road looks (think plastic wheel arch extensions) and then a SportLine option too (think slightly lowered, firmed suspension and some black paint).

Without those stiffened springs the Kodiaq proved itself a delightfully comfortable companion on some indifferent roads in deepest western Britain, combining fine body control with an ability to soak up the rash of potholes and cracks our roads have succumbed to.

There's a sense of real solidity in the Kodiaq's cabin, smart enough to make you wonder how the designers at Audi make their cars look and feel worth all the extra cash.

Everything, from simplest switch to the satellite navigation system on the SE L and



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Edition models does its job so well you know many candles have been burned at both ends to make things just ... well, work.

The entry level S, with just a 1.4 petrol engine offered comes with LED daytime running lights, manual air conditioning, 17 inch alloy wheels, DAB radio and SmartLink to easily connect your smartphone. Up a grade, to SE and we find 18 inch alloys, cruise control, rear parking sensors, dual zone climate control and auto dimming mirrors.

The likely most popular level – SE L, tops up these goodies with sat nav, still larger (19 inch) alloys, powered tailgate, Alcantara trim and heated front seats.

Topping the Kodiaq tree, the Edition piles on leather upholstery, metallic paint and chrome roof rails. Added techno features include lane assist, high beam assist and wireless charging for a compatible mobile phone.

Depending on model, you'll also find evidence of Skoda's Simply Clever thinking,

from umbrella neatly hidden in a front door to ice scraper sitting in the fuel filler flap.

But back to the ride in an SE L 150 diesel. It's no ball of fire (9.5 seconds to 0-62mph), but plenty potent enough for satisfactory progress and quiet with it.

A journey's end 50.5mpg on the dash readout (the official average is 52.3mpg) hinted that longer term acquaintance with a Kodiaq would only cement a positive relationship with an impressive new Skoda.

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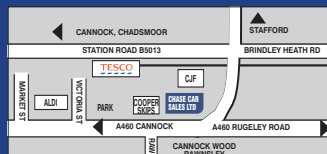
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There's a 10 model line-up for the latest Rio, Kia's previous best-seller in the UK

# Can Kia's 'big little car' be a big hit?

By Graham Breeze

Globally the Rio is Kia's best seller so will the introduction of an all-new 1.0litre model make the car a big hit in the UK?

The company described the fourth generation model as a "big little car", featuring an amazing new turbocharged one litre petrol engine at the head of a 10-model line-up. I've been boring friends, family and readers about the brilliant range of one litre engines on the market and Kia bosses have also recognised the importance of getting in on the action, determined to carve out a bigger slice of the B-sector cake.

With the range you'd be hard pressed not to be overjoyed by the performance of the Rio 3 which comes with a 1.0litre T-GDi 99bhp engine, producing a top speed of 115mph, reaching 60mph in 10.3 seconds, with average fuel consumption over 60mpg and CO2 emissions of just 102g/km.

That means it's just £30 to licence.

The 1.0-litre T-GDi engine is offered in Rio for the first time and heads a seven-strong powertrain line-up which shows improvements in fuel efficiency and CO2 emissions over the outgoing Rio.



The cabin is dominated by a large touchscreen

Just as I have been with Ford and Suzuki variations on the one litre theme I am completely gobsmacked at the gutsy performance of this offering from Kia and as a layman can only marvel at the technology behind such performance.

For the more technical reader out there it's an example of Kia's advanced engine technology capabilities through downsizing, turbocharging, direct fuel injection and weight reduction, with a number of detailed engineering solutions to minimise throttle lag and reduce internal friction.

But it's not all about what's under the bonnet because the Rio is a sharper looking car now, with a wider "tiger-nose" front grille, reshape headlights which incorporate impressive cornering lights and automatic main-beam dipping.

The new Rio is bigger too. There's a longer wheelbase, bonnet and front overhang and a lower roofline. There's also more shoulder room but although rear legroom has been increased it's still on the tight side in the back.

There's 13 per cent more boot room with the lifting back door opening to reveal 325 litres of space – just enough for the golf clubs.

There's still a lot of plastic inside the cabin which is dominated by a large touchscreen which incorporates Kia Connected Services and Android Auto and Apple CarPlay smartphone integration with access to the car's navigation and infotainment systems, and live traffic updates, weather reports and fixed speed camera locations.

In manual format the 1.0litre GTDi Rio has an intelligent Stop & Go (ISG) system to eliminate tailpipe emissions and a five-speed manual gearbox as standard.

There's no skimping when it comes to protecting driver and passengers, with a stiffened body shell to enhance crash safety while the front, rear and side crumple zones absorb impact energy. There's also a raft of other safety features including Electronic Stability Control and Vehicle Stability Management, Autonomous Emergency Braking and a Lane Departure Warning system fitted as standard.

Rio comes with a seven-year/100,000-mile warranty covering all labour and parts except those subject to normal wear and tear. The warranty is transferable if the car is sold before the time/mileage limit expires.

The all-new Rio is also available with Care-3 and Care-3 Plus servicing packages for retail customers. These cover the cost of all routine servicing work for three or five years and, like the warranty, can be passed on if the car is sold before they expire.

Prices start at £11,995 though the 1.0litre G-TDi tested sells at £16,295 which is still a lot of money but competitive in the B-sector.

Will it be a UK success? Well only time will tell but no-one can doubt just how far the Kia Rio has come in the last few years.

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# No need for revolution in crazy world of SUVs

By Ian Donaldson

Ford took on board more than 22,000 comments from research clinics and surveys as it went about giving its Kuga SUV a mid-life refresh. The hope, of course, was a better car.

How much better? Well, you can now push a button to wake up the new SYNC 3 connectivity system and tell the car "I need a coffee", to be directed to a nearby cafe. Same applies to airport, hotels, car parks and the like.

Which is hardly a make or break feature, but another example of how smarty-pants electronics is taking over the world. And very useful some of it is, of course.

Another change being adopted by car makers is the consignment of buttons to the dustbin of design history and crowning the touchscreen as the future for a generation of owners who see an iPad as an extension of their arm.

So, the latest Kuga loses some buttons and gains a big and clear touchscreen. It works well, even if mounting it back into the dashboard makes for some awkward finger stabbing.

And Ford, thankfully, has not gone the full no-buttons road of some others, leaving the heating controlled by buttons and knobs, and all the more convenient for that.



Ford says the cockpit is 'meticulously crafted'

Electrics play a pivotal role in other items featured on this revamp, even if most of them cost extra, even on the high level Titanium X car you see here, ranging from a hands-free tailgate (£150 and waggle a foot beneath the rear bumper) to a rear view camera (£250) and active city stop (£200) which brakes for you and avoids a collision if you're not concentrating.

Ford says the Kuga's cockpit is 'meticulously crafted' – but solid and sensible is more like it and it all works well.

A new electronic handbrake (not that anyone will use it at the lights) frees up space between the front seats for extra storage, even perhaps a cup of coffee if your voice command fails to find a nearby cafe.

A USB connection point lets you keep your mobile phone charged, while for £125 you can warm your hands on a heated steering wheel, wrapped in leather.

That same covering is used for the seats in the Titanium X model on test, heated in the front and electrically adjustable for the driver.

Other Titanium X goodies include a glass roof big enough to make the most of a dull winter's day, a powered tailgate and impressive xenon headlamps that bend round corners and adapt their beam shape – even searching out the side of the road in a downpour and ensuring oncoming drivers aren't dazzled.

Outside the car you'll notice a bolder face with more prominent grille (everyone's making their cars look more aggressive these days), along with redesigned tail lights, alloy wheels and new paint colours.

Kuga prices start at £21,395 for a car with a petrol engine and manual gears and top out with the £34,915 Vignale with the same 2.0 litre petrol engine and auto gearbox as the modestly less well equipped and cheaper car tested here.

That underbonnet combination produced 39.7mpg over more than 500 miles, including a lot of London driving (bad for economy) and a deal of motorway time too (good for frugality). It also meant a quiet power unit once warmed through and performance that was the right side of adequate, if some way from sporty.

A hesitant step off from stationary was sometimes not helpful in rush hour traffic.

So, this latest Kuga is hardly a revolution but Ford has done enough to keep the car current in a world that's gone SUV crazy.



There's a bolder face on the updated Ford Kuga with a more prominent grille

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# Blend of performance and economy

By John Griffiths

Vauxhall's Corsa used to be the baby of the pack – that role now goes to the Viva – but it still holds the title of one of Britain's favourites, consistently in the top five best-sellers list.

It has grown, matured (and naturally become more expensive too) as the Adam and the new Viva have taken its place as Vauxhall's most affordable models.

In doing so it has improved, grown and become more economical ensuring that it remains a totally credible rival for the top-selling Ford Fiesta.

The test car was a top of the range Limited Edition, with the latest and arguably most efficient engine under the bonnet.

It's a stylish car, with a high class interior with a modern, sporty theme and premium materials, as befits its £17,360 price tag (undercutting the equivalent Ford by a couple of hundred pounds). It is also well-equipped, including Vauxhall's sophisticated touchscreen and connectivity system, although satnav isn't on the standard kit list.

The power plant was Vauxhall's latest 1.0 litre, three cylinder turbocharged engine – which appears to be the engine of the future judging by how many manufacturers are doing for the same size/format.

The figures speak for themselves: 0 to 62mph in 10.3 seconds, an official average of 57.6mpg (I got between 44 and 49mpg in varying conditions) and a low 113g/km of CO<sub>2</sub>. That betters the older, 1.4 petrol engine in the Corsa range in each department, particularly performance (0 to 62mph in 15.5 seconds).

The difference is not only the extra power (115PS) of the little turbo, but the boost provided by the forced induction, creating torque (170Nm) more akin to a small diesel unit than a petrol one.

This combination is a world away from normally aspirated, 1.0 units of yesteryear, even though most had an extra cylinder.

On motorways or on hills, it performs at lower revs, therefore remaining quieter and smoother: more like a 1.6 litre unit but using less fuel and producing lower emissions.

The Limited Edition runs on sports suspension, complementing the sporty interior trim such as aluminium pedals and leather-clad, sports style steering wheel.

It sits on 17-inch black alloy wheels and wide, low profile tyres which give a firm but not uncomfortable ride. The six-speed gearbox is slick with a short-throw action, and the steering is quick and positive.

With the benefit of the sports suspension, the ride height is slightly slower and turn-in sharper, with less body roll through the quicker corners.

In short, its dynamic combination of suspension steering, ride and performance sufficient to put it in the 'warm hatch' category – but with a rather more cossetting and mature experience than some who shout that designation from the rooftops.

The dash is dominated by the now usual central touchscreen controller with Vauxhall's latest multimedia system, and an ability to link up with smartphone functions.

The car also has Vauxhall's excellent OnStar system: just three buttons which give you instant access to human operators (in Luton) for a wide range of assistance, from helping



VAUXHALL CORSA LIMITED EDITION, £17,360

The Limited Edition Corsa is a rewarding drive with sporty styling and a good blend of performance and economy

to locate your car) to checking the vehicle's vital functions, providing directions or sending the emergency services to your location in the event of an incident. It's a useful system, more normally found on much more expensive cars.

The dash is divided by a horizontal, body coloured flash of metal along with highlights of chrome and black gloss panelling, making the cabin a modern and pleasant place to be.

The sports-style wheel has an array

of remote control functions for audio, handsfree telephone, cruise control and a comprehensive trip computer.

The Limited Edition also comes with a heated windscreen, tinted rear windows, air conditioning, hill start assist, tyre pressure monitoring, electrically heated and adjusted door mirrors, and sports-style front seats.

It has plenty of head and leg room for four adults (five could be a squeeze) and a class average boot for 280, with the rear seats up.

The Limited Edition is the consummate Corsa: a rewarding drive, sporty styling and a good blend of performance and economy.

It also sits at the top of the range price-wise, and some drivers will no doubt opt for the proven 1.3 turbo diesel with its potential fuel economy of more than 88mpg.

The Corsa range starts with the older, 1.4 petrol engine (with a modest 75PS of power) at £10,685. There's a 90PS version, too.

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# MG Motor unveils vision of the future with E-Motion

MG Motor has unveiled an all-new electric supercar concept – the MG E-motion. Offering a glimpse of the future, the next-generation vehicle aims to push the boundaries of innovation and technology, while meeting the needs of today's trend-setting car buyers.

Blending style, sophistication and elegance, the E-motion embodies MG's vision for the future. With a slender sportsback-style design paying tribute to the brand's hundred-year heritage, starlight matrix front grill and headlights bringing inspiration from the London Eye, and vertical tail lights developed using decades of world-leading design experience, the ground-breaking concept brings MG's sense of fun and aspiration to the low emission marketplace.

Below the surface, the MG E-motion sets the standards in plug-in vehicle capability, with the latest pure-electric modular architecture platform developed in-house and delivering 0-100kmph in less than four seconds, despite boasting a range of more than 500km. Equipped with an intelligent infotainment system, the supercar is fully internet-compatible, which MG believes will position it perfectly for the younger market.

In addition to the E-motion concept, the brand has also unveiled a fully-customised version of the MG ZS compact SUV. Positioned as the first



The car has a slender sportsback-style design

intelligent SUV, the model is already proving hugely popular with drivers worldwide.

With an 8" super control panel and the most powerful intelligent interconnected system ever developed, the MG ZS pushes the boundaries of innovative vehicle technology. Worldwide, the MG ZS has already experienced unprecedented sales demand, with upwards of 20,000 registrations being reported every month.

For the MG brand, this has helped

to drive a 76 per cent increase in year-on-year sales figures, alongside a 51 per cent increase in sales compared to the previous quarter – easily surpassing the industry average.

Matthew Cheyne, head of sales and marketing at MG Motor UK, said: "The MG E-motion electric supercar concept demonstrates our global vision for the future. Alongside leading the way in design and capability, the next-generation model is the latest step in achieving the ultimate driving experience."

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A go-faster version of Toyota's sports car

## Supercharged GT86 could be on the way

A European version of Toyota's previously Japan-only GT86 GRMN could be just around the corner.

A go-faster version of Toyota's GT86 sports car for the European market could be on the cards, a company executive has revealed.

Speaking at the launch of the new Yaris supermini, Toyota product manager Neil Spires expressed a desire to see the GRMN nameplate – which is set to appear on the supercharged Yaris hot-hatchback in 2018 – extended to other models in the company's line-up.

The GRMN name, which stands for Gazoo Racing Masters of Nurburgring, has appeared on limited-run, Japan-only Toyota models in the past, including the GT86 and iQ.

It now seems production versions for the European market could be highly likely.

Spires said: "Gazoo Racing is an exciting sub-brand for us, which is long overdue. We haven't seen that kind of strategy in a while for Toyota – similar to what Lexus has done with F-Division and F-Sport.

"So yes, we really hope that we'll see GRMN in other vehicles and it won't be a one-off – that's the expectation."

When asked if this could mean a GT86 GRMN could be put into production, Spires said: "Let's hope so. I'd be really disappointed if we don't see Gazoo Racing not only on our sports cars, but also on our core models. Why do it, otherwise?"

"It's really encouraging to see what they've done in Japan and now Europe.

"I think it will be an exciting time for that aspect of the company over the next few years."

The new Yaris GRMN is powered by a supercharged 1.8-litre engine that company insiders have said could produce in excess of 220bhp by the time it is homologated.

# Onwards and upwards for Honda BTCC driver Neal

By John Griffiths

For many, Formula One is and will always be the pinnacle of motorsport – but for many practical and ideological reasons it's the British Touring Car Championship which does the business and boasts an impressively large fan base.

Perhaps it's because the BTCC cars look like those we drive or see on the roads ever day (although that's really only a superficial resemblance).

Then there's the incredibly close and unpredictable nature of the racing, guaranteed by the rules and handicap systems.

There's also the fact that, if you live here in the Midlands, there are at least three circuits within relatively easy driving distance where you can watch the action live, soaking up the smell and the sounds which are so important to the experience.

That's a bonus because one of the top ambassadors for the sport is West Midlander Matt Neal (perhaps the tallest racing driver around) who in his 26-year touring car career is one of the very small band of drivers to claim three BTCC victories – a distinction shared by the reigning champion and his teammate with Yuasa Halford's Racing, the Scotsman Gordon Shedden.

### Chasing

While it's still early in the season, Matt is not only chasing the title again, he's also chasing a personal landmark – his 60th BTCC victory.

He came close to achieving this in the Donington Park round – taking second place in race one after a tough battle at the Leicestershire circuit, his 39th podium there.

He was less successful in races two and three – in the latter, started in treacherous conditions, Matt as one of several drivers to go off the track – but the good news is that he will start the next round at Thruxton on May 6 and 7 without a weight handicap.

That's an issue in a branch of motorsport engineered for close racing and putting the accent on the drivers' skills rather than money and technology. A race winner lines up on the next starting grid with a 75kg penalty – equivalent to carrying a passenger – which can slow the car by as much as 3mph on the straights as well as affecting braking and handling.

Both Matt and his teammate and friend Gordon Shedden compete in the Honda Civic Type-R. It's a long term relationship: Honda first entered the championship



Matt Neal heads into the pits at Donington Park for a new set of tyres on the Honda Civic Type-R

in 1991 as the family-run Team Dynamics outfit run by Matt and his father Steve, founder of one of Britain's biggest alloy wheel manufacturers.

In 1999 as an independent, or 'privateer' – Matt won a £250,000 prize for the team as the first such driver in the modern era to win a BTCC race, finishing the season ninth overall. That was in a Nissan Primera GT, but since then he has won three championship titles, each title in a Honda. Today's Civic Type-R is, of course, a dedicated racing machine. It's stiffer, the driving position is nearer the centre to achieve optimum balance (and safety in the event of a side impact – not unknown in this sport) and of course it has to meet a whole raft of technical regulations.

For example, the 2.0 litre Honda has one of the most powerful engines on the grid, but the team has had to reduce the turbo boost to put it on a level playing field with the others.

Speaking during the practice session at Donington, Matt said a priority was optimising the new regulation tyres, including a much harder compound 'option' tyre which regulations say must be used in a certain number of races. It has to be declared in advance, too, so the team anxiously monitors race day weather forecasts.

"The weather will play a huge part in the race," he said.

"It's windy out there and cross winds make a difference, especially when the car is on the edge."

Matt's qualifying session was cut short because of a technical issue. But he had done enough to win a place on the third row of the grid alongside teammate Shedden. After moving up the order, he had a close and exciting battle with Rob Austin before grabbing second position in a brave overtaking move through the Craner Curves.

"Obviously this weekend didn't have the outcome we'd hoped for.

"Race one worked out well – I just got caught up in traffic a little bit too long to have a chance of going for the win – and then I was pleased with our race two performance on the harder compound tyre," Matt said.

"The rain unfortunately came too late from our point of view – we could have done with it earlier in the day – and when it did arrive it made things very tricky for race three.

"The conditions were really treacherous at the first start: there was absolutely zero grip and I was far from the only one to go off but rules are rules.

"Taking the positives away with us, the car was fabulous all day. It's still very early in the championship-wise and I'll be light again going to Thruxton which has historically always been a Honda track – so onwards and upwards."

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Annette, Father-in-law to  
Heather, Grandfather to Lee  
and Hayley, Great-Grandfa-  
ther to Olivia and Scarlett.

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80 years.

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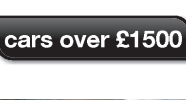
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CH/17/149 - 20A, Church Street, Rugeley  
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## STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)(ENGLAND) ORDER 2015 - ARTICLE 15 (3)

Application Number: CH.17/02/721 MW  
Biffa Waste Services Ltd application for Retrospective planning permission for an additional utility tank and ancillary equipment including a macerator and pump slab with lifting equipment, within the existing tank farm at the Poplars Anaerobic Digestion (AD) plant at Poplars Anaerobic Digestion Plant, Lichfield Road, Cannock and the proposed development may not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area as the land to which the application relates lies within the Green Belt.

Members of the public may view the submitted application, plans and other documents via the Staffordshire Planning web page [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/planning](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/planning) (Find a current application). Anyone who wishes to make representations about this application should do so no later than 18 May 2017 by commenting on-line via the Staffordshire Planning web page; by emailing to [planning@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:planning@staffordshire.gov.uk); or by writing to Planning, Policy & Development Control, Staffordshire County Council, c/o 2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford, ST16 2DH. Please note: all comments and representations received in writing will be taken into account and are open to be read by all.

Signed: Darryl Eyles on behalf of Staffordshire County Council.

Date: 27 April 2017

### ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (LEATHERMILL LANE AND LOVE LANE, RUGELEY) (PROHIBITION OF HEAVY COMMERCIAL VEHICLES OVER 7.5 TONNES GROSS) ORDER 2017

1. Staffordshire County Council on 25 April 2017 made a Traffic Order under Sections 1(1), 2(4) and 3(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, which will prohibit the use by any heavy commercial vehicle exceeding a maximum gross metric operating weight of 7.5 tonnes on the following roads:-

Leathermill Lane and Love Lane, Rugeley

2. Full details of the Order which, together with a plan showing the roads involved, may be examined during normal opening office hours at the office of the Director for Economy, Infrastructure and Skills, 1 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford, ST16 2DH and during normal opening hours at Rugeley Library, Anson Street, Rugeley, Staffordshire or via the internet at [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/trafficregulationorders](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/trafficregulationorders).

3. Any person who desires to question the validity of the Order or any provision contained in the Order on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant sections of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or on the grounds that any requirement of those sections or of Parts I, II, and III of Schedule 9 of the Act or any regulations made under the said Part III of Schedule 9 of the Act has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may, within six weeks of the date on which the Order was made, make an application for the purpose to the High Court.

4. The Order will come into operation on 01 May 2017.

John Tradewell, Director for Strategy, Governance and Change  
2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford, ST16 2DH.

Date: 27 April 2017

## Disposal of Public Open Space Land off Hardie Avenue/ Ashleigh Road Rugeley



In accordance with Section 123 (2a) of the Local Government Act 1972 **NOTICE IS GIVEN** that Cannock Chase District Council is considering the disposal of open space off Hardie Avenue/Ashleigh Road, Rugeley.

A plan identifying the area of land concerned is available for inspection at the Civic Centre offices, Beecroft Road, Cannock.

Any person wishing to comment on/object to the disposal should do so in writing addressed to:

Head of Economic Development

Civic Centre, Beecroft Road, Cannock WS11 1BG  
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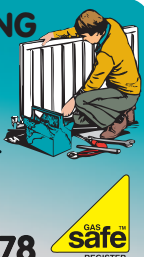
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RICKY SUMMERS has been taking his preparations for a shot at the British light heavyweight title to world level. It has been confirmed that his rescheduled shot at title holder Frank Buglioni will take place on Saturday June 3.

It will again be at the O2 Arena in London where Summers, from Tipton, and Buglioni were first due to meet on the under-card to the clash between David Hays and Tony Bellew.

The titlist withdrew from that March 4 date after sustaining a cut in training, but Matchroom Boxing promoter Eddie Hearn has stayed true to his word that the contest will still take place.

Summers has shared a training ring with Nathan Cleverly, the Welshman who is the reigning WBA title holder and two-time world champion in the light heavyweight division.

Summers has also put another world ruler, Carl Froch, through his paces in the past as he works up towards his own night of reckoning.

He said: "Training with Nathan is ideal for me, because Frank is big at the weight although I think I'll be the naturally bigger man on the night."

"I'm just over the moon to have a second chance."

# Neal's frustration over bar on race

STOURBRIDGE'S Matt Neal has criticised the decision to bar him starting the final race of the second weekend of the British Touring Car Championship.

Three-time champion Neal is already 42 points adrift of leader Tom Ingram in the standings after a promising start to his Donington Park weekend petered out.

After qualifying fifth, Neal took second in the first race and seventh in the second before a premature end to the third.

Having taken the lead at the first start, Neal aquaplanned off the circuit.

He was pushed out of the gravel by the marshals and took up his front-row position for the restart, only to be told he couldn't race after receiving 'outside assistance'.

But Neal said: "If the race stops before the leader has done two laps it's declared a no contest and all available cars can restart the race."

It's something we've got to take up now."

# Davies is keeping true to his weight

TIVIDALE'S Ryan Davies plans to remain at welterweight as he makes the transition from kickboxer to paid pugilist. The 24-year-old is preparing to become a pro with a four-round bout against Matthew Ashmole in Birmingham tomorrow.

He features on Errol Johnson's BCB Promotions bill at the Icknield Road fight scene, in the Edgbaston area of the Second City. The show has been titled Heavy Artillery. Davies comes into the code under the tutelage of another former kickboxer, Tyler Shakespeare, who has also brought Kyle Williams across the sports.

And Davies said: "It's a new challenge, but guts is my game and I want that title. I live the gym and I'm always on it, getting as fit as I can be. You can outwork an opponent in any sport and I don't think many opponents will be able to match me for my engine and desire. I'm training harder now than I ever have in kickboxing, because I want to do as well as I possibly can in boxing. My ambitions are high, but so is my dedication."

The main event of 'Heavy Artillery' will see Wolverhampton's Josh Burke and Coventry's Dilly Singh contest the vacant British Challenge cruiserweight title over eight rounds.



Hands on – all hands to the deck as helpers turn out to get things ready



Cannock Cricket Club getting ready for the new season

# Howzat? Club building for brighter future

ATTENTION may have been centred on the start of summer action but Cannock Cricket Club are on the front foot with off-field matters.

While the first team have started their Staffs Clubs Premier Division challenge club members are looking to make major improvements to their Church Lane base. A planning application has been submitted to build a new clubhouse separate from the main Chase Park site – which houses Cannock Hockey Club as well.

Members hope an extension will be built adjacent to the current changing rooms with volunteers having already spent more than 300 hours doing preparation work to get the area up to scratch.

## Income

Club chairman David Robinson believes, if approved, the new pavilion will prove a big boost to the club's finances.

"This pavilion will help us stand alone and will hopefully help our fundraising," Robinson said. "Like with most sports, we are very much hand-to-mouth."

"We need to do what we can to generate income and we believe this new clubhouse will do that. As well as it being a place for supporters, we want to be able to rent it out for events like anniversaries and parties."

"We are looking to generate our own revenue streams and improve the facilities for everyone connected with the club."

Robinson hopes the work will be completed by the end of the year.

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By Joseph Masi

"Club members have put in loads of hours across the winter to do as much as they can," he continued. "It's between 300 and 400 hours of work that's gone into it to getting the changing rooms ready."

"What will be the new pavilion is a 1980s building and it needs bringing up to the right specifications."

"We have got rid of a lot of stuff and done as much work as we can in the existing building which we hope will become the new changing rooms and kitchen area."

"The new pavilion extension will then be attached. Of course, work has now come to a standstill as we go through the planning process."

"But fingers crossed we will get the green light as it will make a huge difference."

### Fundraising

Robinson says he expected the majority of the work to be paid for by members holding fundraising events. But the club is also looking into other revenue streams.

"We are always on the lookout for ways to generate money for the club," he added.

"We'll be putting on fundraising events and we're confident members will be able to raise the money we need. We will also look at seeing if we can apply for funds from relevant sporting bodies."

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## Emphatic win seals survival in some style

Church Stretton 38 Rugeley 20

CHURCH Stretton sealed their survival in Midlands Four West (North) in style with an emphatic home bonus-point victory over Rugeley.

The high-flying visitors had a great start but the Samurai came back to record a 38-20 victory and move themselves up to seventh in the league. Stretton started slowly, conceding a try straight from kick off, before a second try soon followed.

Both were unconverted to give Rugeley a 10-0 lead. The Samurai soon clicked into gear though and responded with a converted try to close the gap to three points. Centre Will Davies burst through several tackles to score his 10th try in three games, scrum-half Roan Kirkby adding the extras.

Stretton's Ed Humphries got the try his strong running deserved, brushing off a tackle to score under the posts. Kirkby again added the extras to give Stretton a 14-10 lead.

Stretton's third try came when the ball was worked to Davies to finish off for his second. Kirkby maintained his 100 per cent kicking record to bring the scores to 21-10.

After the break, the home side's Fin Hughes claimed the bonus point try. Kirkby once again added the conversion.

The visitors responded with a breakaway try that was unconverted.

Second row Huw Barber-Jones finished off an overlap to cross the white-wash, and Rugeley claimed a fourth try in the closing stages, ensuring they came away with a bonus point.

However, it was Stretton who had the last word, with man of the match Roan Kirkby crossing in the corner after darting through a gap off a lineout and stepping the fullback to score. The tricky conversion was missed.

## Hayes round off their away games with 6-1 victory

Chelsmsley Town 1 Heath Hayes 6

HAYES saved the best performance till the last as they completed their league away fixtures with this accomplished display on the Colshill Astro Turf.

The home side had no answer to the power and pace of the visitors as they soon took an early lead through the rejuvenated Ryan Burns who coolly drove home from the edge of the box following a slick six-man move. He soon doubled his and his team's lead, tucking home a Chris Horton cross.

Luke Delaney then got the third with a stunning 30-yard free kick.

Hayes winger Kory Burke was replaced by Brad Rolston, who was soon in the action and, following a strong run, was brought down in the box. Burns completed his hat-trick from the spot.

The home side rallied after the break and Mick Knight reduced the arrears with a 35-yard volley which gave keeper Mark Wiggins no chance.

Hayes weathered the storm and increased the lead when Kyle Minto poked home from close range before being set up by Rolston for the sixth.

## Thunderbolt enough to see off Pitmen



George Cater keeps control under pressure

Whitby Town 1 Hednesford Town 0

HEDNESFORD Town were unable to end their campaign on a positive note after falling to a narrow defeat against Whitby Town, thanks to a second half thunderbolt of a goal.

After failing to produce the kind of performances that are expected across the last five games of the season, the Pitmen started very much on the front foot against a Whitby side that had narrowly missed out on a place in the top five.

Returning Hednesford captain Tom Thorley went close to opening the scoring in the second minute as his shot from 25 yards whistled inches

By Simon Stone

over. The Pitmen were unlucky not to be ahead 10 minutes later as Danny Glover rose highest to meet a Gavin Hurren free kick, but his header hit the woodwork with Whitby goalkeeper Shane Bland pulling off a fantastic save to deny Bradley Peace-McDonald on the rebound.

The goal arrived in the 66th minute thanks to a wonder strike from Dale Hopsom as he strode on to a nicely teed-up ball 30 yards out and placed his curling effort into the top corner of the net past the despairing dive of Lloyd Ransome.

# AWARDS GALORE FOR TITAN TOM

CLUB captain Tom Thorley took up the title of Captain Marvel after a clean sweep of awards at Hednesford Town's end-of-season awards evening.

Those who were present joked that Tom ended up with more shields than the Knights of the Round Table and would need a new cabinet at home to show them all.

Team manager Gary Birch presented him with the coveted Manager's Player of the Season award, saying: "Tom has dragged us through games." In a turbulent season, which has seen the Pitmen employ three different managers and introduce a host of changes to the playing staff, Thorley has been the ever-consistent player, leading his team by example.

He also had the honour of being voted Player of the Season by his own team-mates, who clearly saw his massive playing qualities.

### Competitive

Thorley, receiving shields for each award, was also Player of the Season voted by the Supporters Association, presented by chairman Scott Smith, and received the Sue Pitt Memorial Trophy, presented by Ian Pitt, as well as being voted the Supporters Player of the Season with a trophy presented by Ian Bailey, whose father Joe first presented the trophy over 30 years ago. In that category, runners-up awards went to Dan Crane and Danny Glover.

Ken Leese presented Thorley with an award on behalf of the Travel Club, saying: "After a long season, Tom still carried the form, which was the epitome of the club."

A separate award was given posthumously to Big Mick Johnson, for Clubman of the Season.

Kevin Fearn was rewarded for all the hard work he has done, unnoticed, behind the scenes, to help keep the club in good order. He won Fan of the Season, awarded by the supporters association.

Gary Birch closed proceedings by pledging that he and his support team would work tirelessly over the summer, to ensure that next season's squad would be more competitive and offer full commitment to Hednesford Town.



Gary Birch, left, with multi-award winning Hednesford Town midfielder Tom Thorley

## Much-changed Scholars share the spoils

**Belper Town 3 Chasetown 3**  
CHASETOWN rang the changes ahead of yesterday's Staffs Senior Cup final and went behind within the first 10 minutes when Evan Garnett whipped the ball across to Ruben Wiggins-Thomas who tapped in from close range.

The Scholars levelled in the 34th minute of this Evo-Stik

Division One South clash when a cross was chipped up by Ryan Wynter and Matt Gardner headed home from six yards for his first goal for the club.

Gardner made a dream start to the second half. Peter Till crossed for Gardner, whose looped header evaded goalkeeper Mark Rathbone.

The visitors extended their

lead in the 65th minute with a phenomenal long-range effort from Jack Langston that left Rathbone clutching at thin air.

Belper reduced the deficit with a Jonathan Williams shot which crawled along the ground through a sea of legs.

Belper equalised in the sixth minute of stoppage time through Wiggins-Thomas.

## Burntwood latest victims of fine run

Burntwood 22 Willenhall 35

WILLENHALL'S strong finish to the season saw them add third placed Burntwood to their recent run of victories.

There was only one point in it with seven minutes to go but, to reflect their season, Willenhall finished the stronger to score two tries.

Burntwood made a good start in front of a large crowd at The Sportsway. Probing for openings in the first 10 minutes, they were rewarded when the visitors conceded a penalty in their own 22. Brett Taylor tapped the ball to himself, went through a couple of defenders and fought his way over the line for the opening try, converted by Aza Dunet.

Willenhall replied with a penalty goal before Burntwood were on the attack again. Possession was maintained and Josh Canning stretched over for a try on 18 minutes which Dunet converted.

From their next scrum in the home 22 the Willenhall outside half darted through a gap for a try which was comfortably converted.

Willenhall made it a one point game with a penalty on 33 minutes. The visitors took the lead five minutes into the second period. Willenhall infringed and Dunet made it 17-18 with the penalty goal. On the hour mark, the visitors squeezed over in the corner. Holt was then able to dot down for 22-23. Back came Willenhall, and the outside half darted his way over for a try.

A penalty against at the restart cost the hosts the chance of a final comeback. Twice the big Willenhall forwards went close before their veteran tight head prop crossed in the corner after seven minutes of added time. The fine conversion was the last kick of the game.

The 2nd XV rounded off their season with a 21-12 win away to Willenhall 2nds. Try scorers were Dan Garrity and Josh Maddox (2). Skipper Nick Peplow's boot supplied the other six points.

Burntwood will set the seal on a positive season with the club AGM on May 18 followed by their annual dinner and presentation evening two days later when former All Black and Leicester Tiger Craig Newby is the guest speaker.

## Cannock lose out in snooker final

WELLINGTON beat Cannock in an exciting final of the 2016-17 winter district sports final for snooker.

Rotary District Governor John Sayer presented the snooker trophy to the sports officer for Wellington, Rob Evans.

The final took place at the Sir John Bailey Snooker Club, in Wellington.

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